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RUDI'S REVENGE: I'D COACH FIJI



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Flashback to 1978: Australia's new coach is introduced at a Press conference in Melbourne. From left: ASF secretary Brian le Fevre, Gutendorf, VSF president Theo Marmaras and VSF secretary George Wallace.

Hunter or Sharne, Niven or Barnes?

By
LAURIE
SCHWAB



Alan Davidson:
midfield?

others are Robert Wheatley at right back, Steve Blair (stopper) and Mitchell.

Scheinflug however, has said he cannot afford to take too many risks with the team until the outcome of the New Zealand v. Fiji match is known.

That game — in Auckland on August 22 — will confirm that New Zealand has won the Oceania group, or in case of a Fiji victory, will give Australia renewed hope.

Fiji and New Zealand were to have met on August 17, but the date has been changed to the 22nd.

The date of Fiji's away match against Australia in Melbourne, also is likely to be changed, from August 14 to Tuesday, August 18.

Fiji requested the change, so it would not have to spend as much on accommodation in Melbourne, before moving on to New Zealand.

The Fijians will fly to Melbourne after meeting Indonesia in Djakarta.

Oceania World Cup group:

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
New Zealand	5	2	0	18	3	12
Australia	2	1	1	8	7	5
Taiwan	1	2	3	5	7	4
Fiji	1	1	1	2	5	3
Indonesia	0	1	4	0	11	1



John Yzendoorn (right) chases new Soc-
ceroo Ian Hunter.

When the Socceroos take the field against Fiji in their World Cup qualifying match next Sunday, coach Les Scheinflug will not see anything unexpected or out of the ordinary in the surroundings.

But he could have got the shock of his life when he glanced over to the opposition bench, for there, he may have seen none other than Australia's former national coach Rudi Gutendorf.

According to the "Jewish Times," the infant terrible of world and Australian soccer was available to take over Fiji's fortunes in the Cup after his inglorious exit from Australia.

The source for this amazing information is Fijian Football Association official Moti Musadilal, who is expected to accompany his country's team to Australia next month.

According to Musadilal, a Suva businessman, Gutendorf telephoned Fijian officials after his break with the ASF, offering his services for a minimal fee.

His call was followed up by telexed confirmation of the offer.

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It's home and away

Having conceded that their further involvement in the World Cup was unlikely, ASF officials permitted the New Zealand FA to negotiate details for the final round of the Asia - Oceania group.

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait favored a tournament among the four finalists in Saudi Arabia, while China preferred the games to be staged in Kuala Lumpur. New Zealand supported a home and away series.

As Saudi Arabia and China were adamant in their opposition to each other's stand point, the compromise of a home and away series eventually was agreed to.

As Saudi Arabia still does not recognise China politically, these two countries will play each other on neutral ground.

Dates of fixtures are:
Sept 24: China v. New Zealand,
Oct 3: New Zealand v. China,
Oct 10: New Zealand v. Kuwait,
Oct 18: China v. Kuwait,
Nov 4: Saudi Arabia v. Kuwait,
Nov 12: Saudi Arabia v. China,
Nov 19: China v. Saudi Arabia,
Nov 28: New Zealand v. Saudi Arabia,
Nov 30: Kuwait v. China,
Dec 7: Kuwait v. Saudi Arabia,
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In the unlikely event of Australia topping the Oceania group, it too will be committed to the dates allocated to New Zealand — PAUL MOON

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I am interested in further particulars on World Cup Final Series Spain 1982.

Will the great Kosmina emerge in time?

My recent visit to Barton Park in Sydney to watch Wollongong City play Sydney City enable me to have my first look at John Kosmina since his return from overseas.

Kosmina is all pedigree. I watched the game in the company of the national director of coaching, Eric Worthington and observed to him that Kosmina was a class above the other players.

"Yes, he's a class player," agreed Worthington.

In the game Kosmina showed excellent vision and general awareness. These are not qualities possessed in abundance by players in Australia, especially strikers.

Strikers usually are under pressure when involved on the ball which allows them less time than other players to get their heads up to take in the situation around them.

Even under pressure Kosmina was able to get his head up, which helped him whether dribbling, screening, shooting or passing — all of which he does well.

I made the point to Worthington that judgement of which skill to use was the key element in the make-up of a player.

He agreed and said that players in divisions lower than the Philips league generally were not that much technically inferior to the players in the top league.

"It's their judgment of when and where to use the skills that counts," he said.

Vision — the ability to be able to see what is happening around you while you are playing — is the key factor in the ability to choose the right skill to use at the right time.

John Stoddart, former Canberra player and current star with NSW's Melita Eagles, is a classic example of a player who has improved as his vision improved.

I coached him at St. George in his mid-20's when he was a



Mike Johnson

Now he gives good early passes and generally uses his wide range of talents to their best advantage.

Unfortunately he is now 33 and nearly finished with the game as a player.

This is the experience of so many players. They develop vision and other Soccer knowledge far too late in their careers and have too little time to exploit it.

Kosmina, however, is only 24 and has six years ahead of himself a top striker. The moves well "off" a defender to receive the ball to feet.

He also shows good timing when he makes diagonal runs to the wings — another asset springing from his wide vision.

He is composed in possession, is prepared to be buffeted

and knocked about to keep possession, has a good shot in each foot, passes well (as one would expect of a player who plays with his head up) and is fairly nippy off the mark.

At about 5ft.10in. tall he is not devastating in the air, but is as very competent.

In fact Kosmina has all the physical and technical qualities to make him a truly outstanding striker.

It led me to say to him several years ago:

"You should try to become the Don Bradman of Australian soccer."

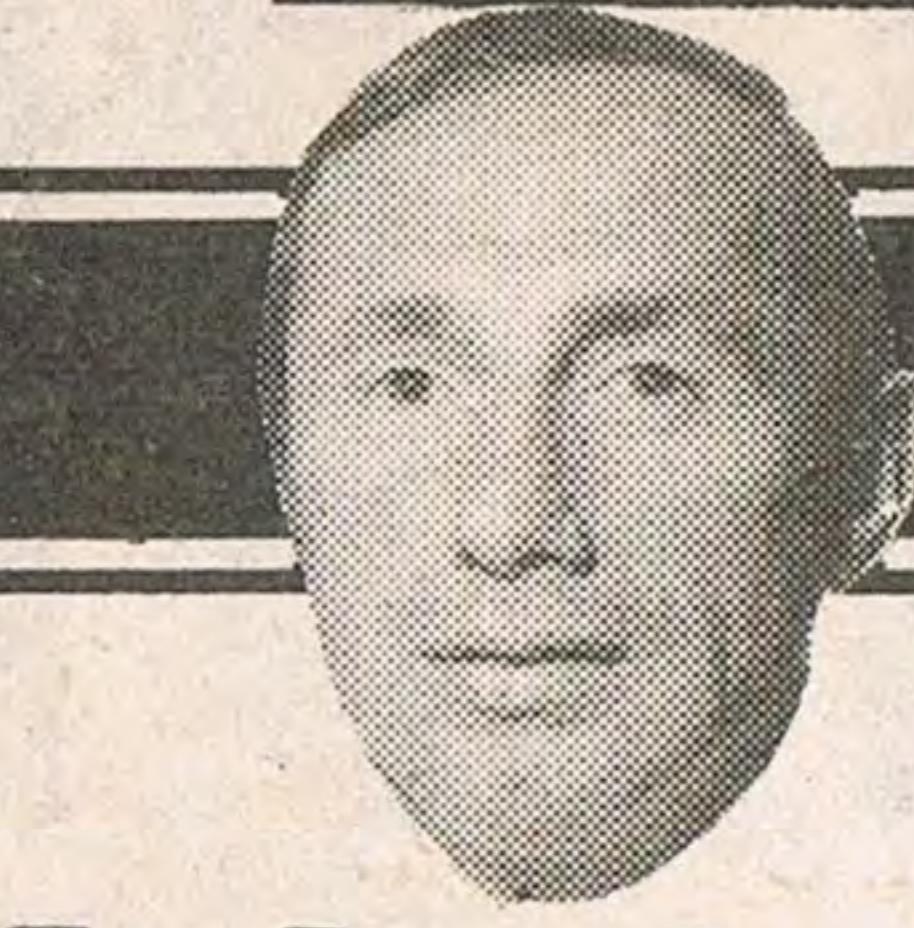
He has not done so, nor has he come close to doing so. Indeed he failed overseas and since his return to Australia can be classed as a virtual failure when you look at the man's ability.

In the company of the classy Sydney City this ability is beginning to show out anew, yet he still remains a player who does not make the impact he should.

great dribbler who always had his head down and invariably used the wrong skill at the wrong time.

If a short pass was required he would hit it long. If a full back was without cover and a dribble was called for he would pass, yet if the full back was well covered by another defender Stoddart would attempt to beat them both and invariably fail.

Nowadays a wiser Stoddart plays with his head up and is a great midfield playmaker who starred for NSW against Dinamo Zagreb earlier this season.



TOM ANDERSON

It's just sour grapes

There's a great deal of rubbish being written and spoken about Rale Rasic and his Blacktown team in recent weeks.

Some of this garbage is unbelievable and it is coming from people within the game who should know better.

Rasic and his Blacktown team are being maligned for their defensive play and supposedly negative tactics.

Some of the critics are claiming that this type of play is bad for the game.

What a load of old cod's wallop!

And, before I give my reasons, let me make it very plain that I'm not defending Rale

Rasic or his team — he's big enough and well enough equipped to defend and take care of himself.

But in the name of fair play and common sense, this ever growing criticism of Rasic and his team surely must stop.

Look at the situation — Blacktown is in the relegation zone and in the process of team building.

They have just secured a mammoth sponsorship and in fact, the future looks very

bright for this club — provided they stay in the PSL.

As coach of this club it is Rale Rasic's job to ensure they do stay in the PSL.

So in such a situation, what's he supposed to do? Go out and use all out attacking methods, throw caution and good sense to the wind and put the future of the club in jeopardy?

Not on your life! In such a situation he's got to adopt the same approach as any coach worth his salt would adopt — get out of trouble and keep your team in the PSL.

Anybody who suggests that these back-to-the-wall, negative tactics are spoiling the game must have rocks in their heads.

Sure, Sydney City and Adelaide City griped about the way Blacktown played in their last two games.

Why wouldn't they — Blacktown took three points off these two teams which are going for PSL honors.

Had they beaten Blacktown there would have been no moaning. For me this is just a pure case of sour grapes.

The fact is — when you have promotion and relegation in a competition, anywhere in the world, you are going to have teams fighting for their lives.

When this happens, any teams in trouble at the foot of the competition must adopt the percentage game and play their way out of bother.

Rale Rasic and his Blacktown team are doing just this, and doing it very well, thank you.

If this type of football is frowned upon, then the answer must be — do away with promotion and relegation.

Surely you don't have to be an Einstein to work that out. All right, some people may say but look at Sydney Olympic and their all-out attacking style.

Terrific, but let's face it, if Olympic don't change their attitude and tighten their defence very quickly and start getting some points, they will be in awful trouble.

And to be perfectly honest, Olympic looks a bigger relegation candidate than Blacktown.

Parker is a key player in the side and when he's not scoring goals himself he's setting them up for others.

Somewhat shy and reticent off the field, on it he becomes a commanding figure with poise, speed and abundant skill. Drifting in from the touch-line he takes on defenders, beating them easily with a rapid change of direction or pace. He is one of those players of whom it can truly be said that he always does something useful with the ball.

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Ian Parker enjoying the rustic pleasures of Tasmanian life on Tom Ferguson's farm.

(Photo by John Remess).

Parker keen to give PSL a go

By WALTER PLESS

Tasmanian State League defenders can relax. But only for a few weeks. Ian Parker, 22, Brighton-ICL's sharp-shooting left winger from Middlesbrough will be out of action for that time.

Parker, third highest scorer in the State League with 11 goals, broke his collar-bone while playing for a "Rest of the World" team against Tasmania recently.

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He started his career as a

nine-year-old full-back. He represented Middlesbrough Boys at U-12, U-13, U-14, U-15 and U-16 levels, then joined Nunthorpe Athletic, Middlesbrough's nursery side and the most successful junior side in the area.

He also represented the North Yorkshire Youth side.

From there he progressed to the Nunthorpe senior side which played in a league that featured up-and-coming stars such as Craig Johnston (now with Liverpool) and Stan Cummings (Sunderland).

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Parker learnt his skills by watching the star players in action in England and by practising some of the tricks he saw them perform. He also played wherever and whenever he could.

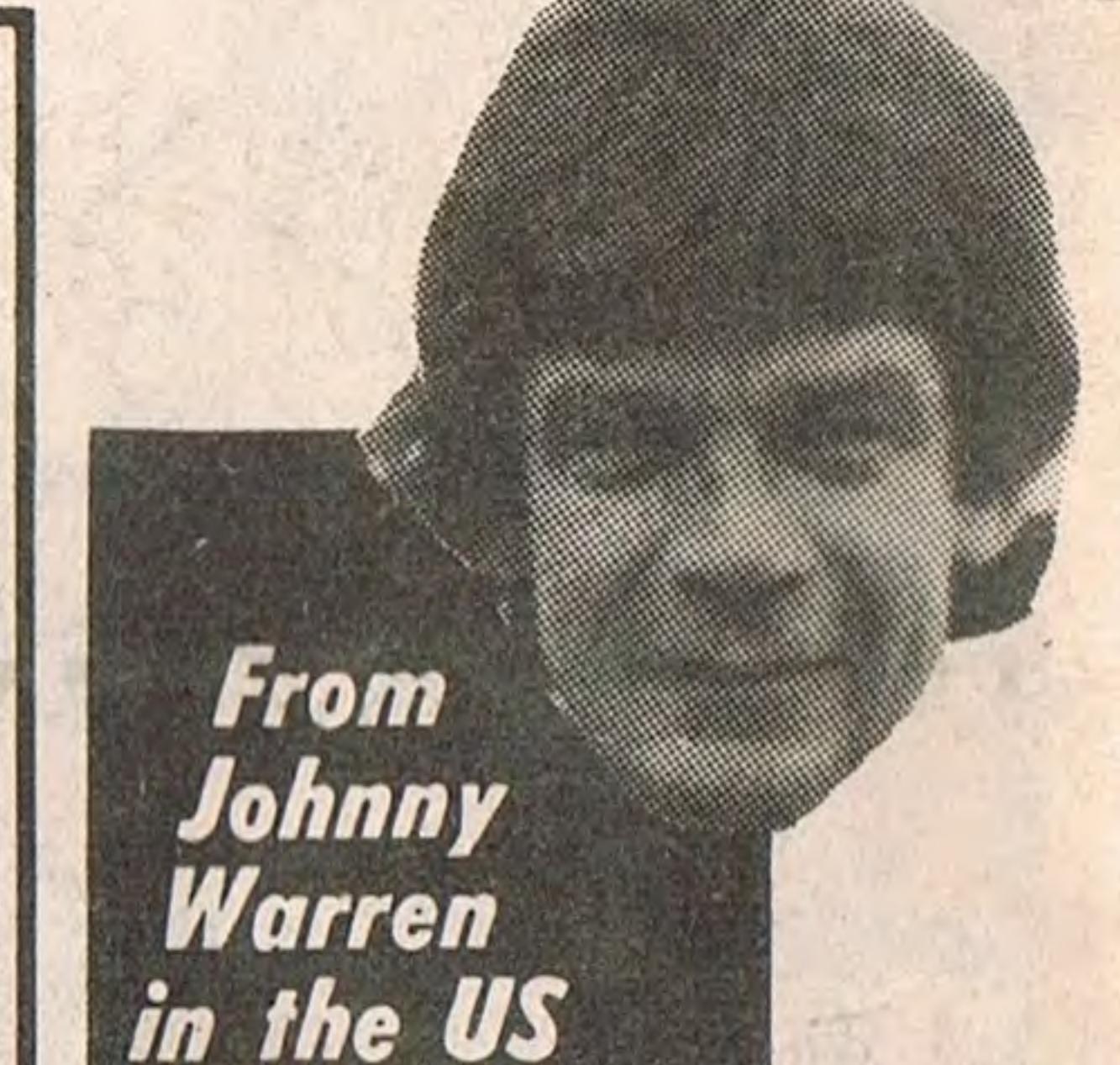
"I used to live, eat and drink soccer. I'd play with tin cans, tennis balls or full-size balls in the streets. I spent hours just kicking a ball against a wall," he says.

Coaches helped him too.

Dave Richardson, a former school teacher and school coach (now Aston Villa's youth coach), was once Bruce Ward.

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From Johnny Warren in the US

Weisweiler wins fight, loses fans

Australian fans will be in for a disappointment if the rumoured tour to Australia by the New York Cosmos later this year takes place. For the fabulous Cosmos of recent years are a mere shadow of what they were.

Cosmos '81 are nothing like Cosmos '79.

There is no Beckenbauer, no Carlos Alberto, no Marinho, no Neeskens. In their place is a team of young, relatively unknown players led by an aging Chinaglia (who still is the leading scorer in the NASL) and Bogicevic, plus "average" players like Birkenmeier, Eskandarian, Seninho and, when he is not in conflict with head coach Hennes Weisweiler, Wim Rijsbergen.

Weisweiler has caused something of a storm since taking over the Cosmos last year.

He has kicked out the stars and the fans' favourite players and replaced them with "team" players.

Cosmos management, for the moment at least, is backing the coach for the Cosmos currently lead their group with 18 wins and five losses.

It is not just my opinion that the Cosmos are not as entertaining as in '79.

Their average home gates have dropped from a healthy "just under" 50,000 to around 30,000 this season.

New Yorkers are staying away in their thousands, many of them bitterly disappointed that their favoured sons, like Carlos Alberto and Neeskens, have lost their battles with Weisweiler.

Carlos Alberto, the fans' favourite player, was sensationally dropped from last year's final when Weisweiler played Beckenbauer as libero. And when Carlos went walkabout for a week during the Cosmos pre-season training camp to the Rio carnival in Brazil (with the management's okay but without the coach's approval) he promptly was sold to the Los Angeles Aztecs.

Neeskens, another favourite with the crowds, hasn't kicked a ball this year despite the Cosmos paying him a healthy \$250,000 per season. Weisweiler has told the Cosmos that it's either him or Neeskens and whilst the team keeps winning management is backing the unliked coach.

To fulfil his contractual obligations Neeskens works out with the assistant coach daily, but has yet to kick a competitive ball this year.

And he is unlikely to.

The transfer deadline is over (July 5) and Weisweiler has refused to sit down and talk it all out with Neeskens, let alone trade him to another club.

Neeskens fell out with Weisweiler for missing a flight to Los Angeles during last season's play-off series.

For the record the Cosmos side I saw play at the Giants' Stadium last week against the Tulsa Roughnecks (crowd 33,179) was:

Birkenmeier, Eskandarian, Iarusci, Durgan, Di Bernardo, Bogicevic, Davis, Romero, Wergele, Chinaglia, Cabanas.

Romero and Cabanas would be well known to our 1979 World Youth Cup players.

They were stars of the Paraguayan youth team who beat Australia in Paraguay.

Cosmos were most unimpressive and were lucky to win 3-2 in overtime with two goals from Cabanas and one from Chinaglia.

The legendary Pele hope to be in Australia later this year for the launching of "Escape to Victory" the movie in which he features with Bobby Moore and ex-Cosmos skipper Werner Roth.

The film will be released in North America on July 31 and is due for release in Australia

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Battling Tommy Cumming faces \$30,000 fee and crippling medical bills

Tommy Cumming senses his mistake. He's let Eskandarian get too far forward. Tiny legs, dwarfed by a blue Victorian strip, take off, pounding into the Olympic Park turf.

Eskandarian is at ease. He's left Cumming behind. The New York Cosmos defender dwells on the ball.

Cumming closes fast. The crowd roars as metre by metre the gap between both players narrows. Still Eskandarian is in control.

Suddenly he knows that Cumming is on him. Too late! A crunching slide tackle from behind fells the Iranian international who reacts angrily by kicking out at Cumming.

Cumming is unmoved as the referee rushes in, awards a free kick to Cosmos and tries to calm the explosive situation.

Eskandarian appeals to the referee to take a firmer stand against Cumming.

The roles have been irreversibly reversed. Most of the previous action centred upon Eskandarian's hamhock tackles, usually leaving Cumming as the victim. Now Eskandarian takes on the role of the accuser, pointing to his pint-sized assailant and asking for the referee's protection.

The tide of this two-man war has turned. At the end of the afternoon, Cumming walks off Olympic Park as the victor.

But now there's a more significant battle which the tiny terrier is trying to win.

Like most modern-day conflicts, the story of Cumming's disappearance from Australia's soccer fields is a long, drawn-out one.

First there's a practice match for Australia. It's mid-week and Marconi is the opponent. Rudi Gutendorf, the man who gave Cumming his chance to pull on a green and gold strip, has high hopes that Cumming will attack, defend and generally run himself into the ground as the Socceroos march toward Spain. It's part of Gutendorf's insistence that physical qualities are the strengths of Australian soccer and must be highlighted in tactics talks.

It's a Wednesday night in Sydney and Cumming has flown from Melbourne where he's playing a significant role in the success of Essendon Croatia.

Cumming pulls up well after the hit-out. He returns to the motel where the Socceroos are staying.

Next morning Cumming hardly can move. His stomach is sore. A masseur tells him to rest. It's believed that Cumming has a groin strain.

17 stitches

He returns to Melbourne and rests but not for long. Soon he's back in training and plays against Green Gully Ajax in a State League match three days before playing for Victoria against touring Italian side AC Milan.

Cumming is sore after the Ajax match. Before the Wednesday game against the Italians he agrees to take a pain-killing injection.

Victoria proves more than a match for the classy tourists.

Cumming is tackling in deep positions and getting forward when he can. He tackles for a 50/50 ball during the second half.

As he lies on the ground immediately after the tackle his Italian opponent lashes out with his studs raised, slashing into Cumming's kneecap. Un-



By
Craig
Mackenzie



Tommy Cumming in his first game in Australia, playing for Sunshine in the 1976 Ampol Cup.

someone so small could do well. But it didn't take long for Cumming to prove them wrong. The laughter of the fans soon was transformed into applause by a series of stunning performances from Cumming and Sunshine. Twice the eventual State League champion, South Melbourne Hellas, was beaten by the Shire.

Heidelberg

Heidelberg president Jim Mangopoulos was one of those who was impressed by Cumming. The Sunshine winger signed with the Bergers late in 1976 and returned for a holiday in Scotland. Everything was geared for Cumming to come back to Australia and figure in Heidelberg's foray into the newly formed PSL.

Sunshine got wind of the deal. Cumming paid his own flight back to Australia unaware that Heidelberg had withdrawn its application for a sporting visa for him. He arrived at Tullamarine airport and immediately was herded into a room where Immigration officials told him that he shouldn't be in Australia. He didn't have a visa.

Two Sunshine officials rushed to the airport where a two-year contract was signed hastily and a sporting visa arranged.

"I didn't even look at the contract. I just signed it," said Cumming.

The following year Cumming starred against Essendon Croatia. A Croatia supporter gave him the telephone number of Croatia manager Frank Burin. Cumming rang Burin who acted quickly.

Two medals

Cumming cost Sunshine around \$1400 when the Shiners flew him out from Scotland. Two years later he was sold to Croatia for \$6,500, a steal by today's inflated standards.

And what a year he had in 1978! He won the Rothmans Medal and the Bill Fleming medal, the high points of individual acclaim.

A year later Cumming wore the Australian strip for the first time against Partizan Belgrade.

"Rudi got me there and I gave him a lot," said Cumming.

"As a person, a guy, he was good. He came in for a lot of criticism as a coach but he didn't do much coaching. That was left to his assistants.

"He'd throw a few tantrums now and again. That's probably why people looked at him like he was some kind of idiot but he always stuck by me and I'd run until I dropped. Not just for him but for my country."

"It was a great honor for me to wear an Australian strip."

"Probably the highlight of my international career so far was playing against New York Cosmos in front of 65,000 in Sydney."

"The noise was deafening, frightening really. That kind of support is important to the players."

"But enough's been said about Rudi and our World Cup campaign. All that I'll say is that we didn't have a settled side and the players were frightened to try things in case they were hauled off."

Cumming is in the option year of his contract with Croatia and he hopes to be fit to play next year.

But there's a doubt. Only time will tell whether he recovers from his crippling injury.

He was laughed at from the terraces when he first played. Few could believe that

haven't any coaching badges but you don't need a badge to be a coach.

"I've trained and played under the best coaches in this country. I've learned a lot from them and I've got ideas of my own. I'd like the opportunity to put my knowledge into practice."

"But I think I can come back as a player. After all I'm only 25."

High price

Cumming's inability to show his soccer talents is part of the price he pays for his injury.

Time off work and the loss of a lucrative signing-on fee have hit him economically.

Croatia was undecided about whether or not it should take up the option on Cumming's contract.

What if it didn't take up the option and Cumming makes a full recovery from his injury? A fit Cumming is a major asset at any club.

Cumming sought legal advice about his situation. He went to the VSF Appeals

Cumming the Socceroo in China, 1979.

Board which ruled that Croatia had three courses of action from which to choose: Give Cumming a free transfer; offer him a new contract or exercise the option and transfer-list Cumming.

Croatia chose the latter. Cumming is transfer listed at \$30,000 and receives payment under the terms of his old contract.

But during his long lay-off Cumming amassed thousands of dollars in treatment bills.

He's been sending the bills to the ASF headquarters in Sydney but the ASF hasn't been paying them. Cumming now is threatened with legal action over the payment of these bills.

He sent the bills to the ASF thinking that if you play for your country and are injured

during a game or on the training track, the ASF looks after you fully. Cumming thought that a comprehensive insurance scheme would cover everyone who gave their all for their country.

At a time when morale in the Socceroo camp is low, the hopes of the ASF top brass about getting to Spain completely dashed and public opinion critical of the administration of Australian soccer, the ASF has incurred another large black mark against it.

Forget the politics, the coaching, the petty personal jealousies.

Tommy Cumming never knows how to quit on the field.

Has playing for Australia ever meant so little in the light of Cumming's situation?



TOP: Cumming pursues Eskandarian of New York Cosmos in a game for Victoria, 1979. MIDDLE: Cumming with the 1979 Victorian Rothmans Medal — his second in as many years. ABOVE: The ugly gash that required 17 stitches after Victoria's game against AC Milan.

aware that he's seriously injured Cumming bounces up, preparing to get on with the game. Jim Tansey rushes over, points to Cumming's kneecap and tells him to go down again to receive treatment. Cumming is treated but the injury is severe. He's carried off amid derisory yells from the Italian supporters. The gash across Cumming's kneecap is closed with 17 stitches.

noses pelvic instability, a complaint which former Socceroo defender Harry Williams suffered. The only cure is rest but there's a lingering doubt about Cumming's ability to make a full recovery and play again.

Cumming arrived from Scotland in 1976.

"Soccer Action" photographer Les Shorrock arranged for Cumming to play here with Sunshine City.

Cumming arrived six hours before Sunshine's Ampol Cup match against Heidelberg United, or Fitzroy Alexander as the club was known then.

It didn't take long for his compact frame and dribbling skills to capture the hearts of Victoria's soccer public.

He was laughed at from the terraces when he first played. Few could believe that

Recovery from the knee injury follows but still Cumming is in pain. Now the pain, presumably from the groin strain, moves to different parts of his lower abdomen.

Cumming sees specialists, goes into hospital for an exploratory operation but a welter of confusing diagnosis follows until Australian team doctor Brian Corrigan diag-

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Soper Super!

When Marshal Soper got his transfer from State League club, Stewarts and Lloyds, his football education was far from finished.

The tall, dark-haired Coalfields product learnt his lesson well. In his only season with Stewarts and Lloyds, he repaid handsomely the investment of coach Mike Trebilcock.

He was leading goalscorer in the competition, a key figure in the new club's remarkable premiership victory and had the odd brush with administration that usually afflicts a personality player.

So Soper packed his bags for Sydney club Leichhardt, including in his kit the lessons, the memories and the boots which supported his goalscoring role in 1980.

He's now in the first of many years that will be spent in pursuit of a footballing degree, if there is such a thing, or a degree of football knowhow that will prepare Soper for the future years at the top.

A better mentor than Willie Wallace, Soper could not have wished for. Nor could he complain about joining the Sydney-based club. It has tradition, success, good support, a licensed club and, not forgetting, the \$5000 transfer fee.



Marshall Soper

Wallace rates Soper as a valuable member of his team, despite the fact that the 23-year-old has spent some time this year on the bench.

"He's a good lad, loves the game and fills a very important role in our side," Wallace recently commented.

Filling an important role is more of a wrap than all but the avid football followers would know. Alongside Soper is Phil O'Connor, the country's best winger, and Zdenko Kafka, a midfield maestro. Behind that trio is Peter Wilson, the man who was at the helm of Australia's World Cup appearance in Munich in 1974.

Soper, unfortunately, is not playing in the district of his junior soccer days. He made no protest about moving to Sydney yet his 'parting shot' from the field, had greater effect.

It was Soper's left foot drive that separated a 1-1 scoreline at Lambert Park in the first round clash between the sides.

It was also one of the goals that has made Soper the club's leading goalscorer.

Willie Wallace, the man at the base of Leichhardt's push to the top of the P.S.L., has been among the coaches who have pursued a policy of youth development.

Wallace's team has managed this year to lure back to Lambert Park droves of supporters.

The team is also a collection of young players, like Soper, who have gained an immense experience by moving into national League company. One of Soper's fellow strikers is Toby Morrell, a youth product of the club, as are defenders Mark Pullen and Rod Skellern, and midfielder Ian Gray. — from Newcastle KB's program.



Rovers pack a punch

Scottish lightweight boxing champion Dave McCabe arrives at Tullamarine airport for his Commonwealth lightweight title fight against Australia's Barry Michael. McCabe was greeted by officials of Victorian First Division club Albion Rovers and was signed as an honorary member of the club.

J.U.S.T. hits out at loss of third point

BY LAURIE SCHWAB

Footscray J.U.S.T. is up in arms over having another point deducted from its Second Division team.

The team lost two points earlier in the season. In both cases, the VSF penalised the team for having used players who previously had been transferred to J.U.S.T.'s PSL team.

Under VSF rules, a player can transfer only once in a season — and that applies to "transfers" between teams of a PSL club.

The rule has been under fire since it was introduced in 1977. And little wonder!

It is at best ridiculous, at worst discriminatory.

The argument that were it not for the rule, then PSL clubs would stack their Second Division teams with PSL players just to win a championship, does not stand up to logic.

For the same reasoning would have to be applied to the relationship between other clubs and their reserve teams. Would a club "stack" its reserve team to win the reserves championship?

J.U.S.T. lost the two points it had gained earlier this year for using Jim Milne in its victory against Melbourne.

Now it has lost the point gained in a draw with Frankston Pines, for having used Paul Simic and Suleiman Curovic.

Both players were "transferred" to the PSL team early this year and played one or two games each. They had been permanent this year and player done or two games each. They had been permanent members of the Second Division side, and they have been since, but because of the rule, if they are no longer required for the PSL side, they can't play at all until the transfer season reopens.

J.U.S.T. secretary Lou Tonovski said: "Most clubs chose not to complain because they agree the rule is ridiculous.

"Frankston Pines and Melbourne, the clubs that did complain, see themselves as being in the running for the championship. I wonder whether they would have complained had they beaten us."

Tonovski explained that after having been penalised over the Milne affair, J.U.S.T. thought there was no objection to using Simic and Curovic as they had, after all, played in the same game as Milne and no objection had been about them at the time.



J.U.S.T. youngster Paul Simic, the centre of controversy over a strange VSF rule.

Cruzeiro tour off as Nelinho's fight continues

Cruzeiro last week withdrew from its scheduled match against Victoria on July 31, claiming too many of its players would be required from Brazilian national team duty about the same time.

The VSF rescheduled the match for November 1.

Cruzeiro's reason for withdrawing is puzzling, however.

The game in Melbourne was to be the first of a world tour continuing on to Asia, Europe and the United States.

One can only presume that Cruzeiro's Brazilian internationals will catch up with the rest of the squad after they have completed national team duty.

The best of Cruzeiro's national team players is the brilliant Nelinho.

His mother probably still refers to him as Manoel Resende de Mattos Cabral, but throughout the soccer world he is known as Nelinho though Cruzeiro fans refer to their right back as "Dinamita" —



Nelinho

because of the dynamite in his boots!

Nelinho is destined to go down in history as one of the most powerful strikers of a soccer ball the game has produced.

Born in Rio de Janeiro, of Portuguese parentage, Nelinho started his career with America FC.

As a naive, but ambitious 20 year old he decided to try his luck in Europe joining Portugal's Barreirense. This however was not a success and after only one season his contract was terminated.

Returning to Brazil via minor Venezuelan side Anzotegui, he became attached to ob-

scure Parana State League clubs Bom Sucesso and Remo before Cruzeiro invited him back into the big league.

Within a year of signing for the Belo Horizonte club Nelinho had forced his way into the Brazilian national side and won a trip to West Germany for the World Cup finals where he played against Scotland, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

It was after the tournament though that the Cruzeiro defender began to display his awesome shooting ability at the highest level.

A 40 metre shot against Uruguay in Montevideo not only beat the goalkeeper, but also severely bruised his fingers whilst an effort from a slightly lesser range scored the winner against Boca Juniors in the second leg of the 1977 Libertadores Cup final.

Brazilian manager Claudio Coutinho was seeking a solid, defensive full back though and considered Nelinho too attack orientated. He was omitted from the original squad for the 1978 World Cup.

An injury to first choice Ze Maria brought a last minute recall and Nelinho made the most of the opportunity.

A vicious, swerving free kick from 30 metres against Poland was spectacular enough, but the goal scored in the play-off for third place had the mark of genius.

Brazil was losing 1-0 to Italy with 25 minutes remaining when Nelinho received the ball on the right wing approximately 30 metres from goal. Instinctively he swung his right boot at the ball which arched with the speed of a bullet beyond Dino Zoff's despairing dive and just inside the left hand post.

The demoralised Italians conceded a second goal six minutes later to the Brazilians who salvaged the bronze medal. Nelinho emerged from the Mundial as a player of genuine World class.

A success strewn career seemed assured, only for fate to strike a cruel blow.

He had suffered from back pains for over a year and during a summer tournament in Spain, just one month after his World Cup triumph, it grew much worse and a creeping paralysis began to effect his right leg.

Over a dozen specialists were consulted, but with no effect, and then in desperation he turned to faith healers and even acupuncture.

Eventually sciatic nerve trouble was diagnosed. The only cure was a immediate operation and rest — plenty of it.

Nelinho had a six month spell away from the game and upon his return found the right back niche in the Brazilian team successfully filled.

Celebrating his 31st birthday just five days before the deferred Olympic Park fixture, he is aware that Spain offers the last chance of World Cup glory.

Having already been in Cruzeiro teams, winning a Brazilian championship and Libertadores Cup, Nelinho is eager to add the one honor that has so far eluded him.

He has less than a year to force his way back into the Brazilian side, currently favorite for the World Cup.

— PAUL MOON

S.A. paper tops

Minor league soccer, mostly ignored by the media, has found a voice in South Australia.

The weekly newspaper "South Australian Soccer," now in its fourth month of publication, gives a comprehensive coverage to amateur league soccer from divisions one to 10, and it also has a section on school soccer competitions.

"South Australian Soccer" is a thoroughly professional publication — a credit to its editor Gary Reeves and especially to Michael Robinson who does the layout.

LAURIE SCHWAB



National Mutual Permanent's representative Bruce Darnell (right) hands over a warmup top to Nunawading City player Andy Mitten.

INSURERS BACK NUNAWADING

An extended sponsorship agreement has given a boost to Victorian club Nunawading City.

National Mutual Permanent, Melbourne's oldest building society, has extended its sponsorship agreement of the past two years and in 1981 is giving even further support to the Society's continuing support of the club.

The Society has provided warmup tops for two junior sides as well as the senior and reserve sides.

Representatives of National Mutual Permanent, the Nunawading City Council, the Victorian Soccer Federation and the media

joined members of the club in celebrating the new sponsorship agreement.

The president of the club, Peter Karik, welcomed the National Mutual Permanent representatives, Bruce Darnell (Lending and Corporate Planning Manager) and Eric Tai (Marketing Manager) and thanked them for the Society's continuing support of the club.

"We deeply appreciate the Society's support and it is most satisfying for us that a company as large as National Mutual Permanent is prepared to involve itself in such a young club," Mr Karik said.

Nunawading City is the largest junior club in the Victorian Metropolitan League fielding 25 teams from the Under 7's to senior teams.

Anyone for Mallacouta?

If your club wants a superb end of season trip get in touch with the organisers of Mallacouta's annual tournament right away.

I've been at the tournament twice, to watch some super contests between lower leagues from different states.

Mallacouta has everything. The surrounds of this coastal tourist resort are special. Sure you have the commercial interests of the modern hotel, the holiday flats and the abalone factory. But walk less than a mile in almost any direction and the unique natural beauty of this small town near the Victoria-NSW border is at your fingertips.

Tournament organiser Alf Bowerman is looking for two more clubs to take the entrants for the 1981 Mallacouta Cup to 10 clubs: Sandringham, Nunawading and Mallacouta (Victoria), Cronulla Seagulls, Hornsby

RSL and Gawley Bay (Sydney) Mount Warren Rovers (Wollongong) and Far South Coast, a select from local district sides, already have entered for the tournament.

This will be the tenth year that the Mallacouta Cup has been up for grabs.

Previous winners are: Bairnsdale (1972, 73, 74), Harbord Diggers (1975), Williamstown (1976), Concord Juniors (1977, 78), Mallacouta (1979) and Sandringham City is the current cup holder having lifted the trophy on penalties after a memorable final triumph over Mallacouta last year.

Accommodation is arranged. Believe me it's excellent and cheap at twice the price.

First come first served. This year's tournament will be held on Saturday, October 3 and Sunday, October 4.

If your club is interested you can write to Alf Bowerman at The Post Office, Mallacouta, 3889. Better still give Alf a phone on (051) 58 0250.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

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Blacktown's rich, Lions kid on, Joe still the best

The soccer world was scratching its head in disbelief when Blacktown City announced sponsorship of \$100,000 from Radio Rentals.

How could a club fighting against relegation attract that kind of money, was the general reaction.

Quite simply, the company's bosses, Len Palmer and Dennis Roberts, both are soccer-minded, and both are impressed not only by the potential of Blacktown, but also of the district the club represents.

Their ambition is to make Blacktown THE club of Australian soccer — and they're confident it can be done.

They also want to stimulate soccer interest among the kids of the Hills area.

To this end, they will arrange for a superstar of English soccer to visit us every year to give the kids a touch of glamor and show them what modern soccer is all about.

In other words, the Radio Rentals bosses are showing great confidence in the Blacktown club, the surrounding district and the code as a whole.

They appreciate that there is real substance in the Blacktown club with its nine-acre complex built only five years ago, its beautiful stadium which lacks only floodlighting and a suitable grandstand, which will be added as soon as possible. They also wholeheartedly support the club's youth development programme which will raise the eyebrows of many a club.

An interesting sidelight of the sponsorship is that Radio Rentals, at their own cost, are arranging to videotape every one of Blacktown's matches, which then can be viewed at the clubrooms.

The sponsorship deal is a tribute to the hard work of Blacktown's commercial manager, Bob Powell who has performed miracles since being appointed nine months ago.

His achievements are an example to ASF Marketing.

But Bob is the first to acknowledge that his achievements would not have been possible without the backing of a sound club administration — an administration with vision.

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• Tansey • Marshall

On behalf of the entire soccer fraternity, I extend best wishes to Heidelberg's Jim Tansey and Adelaide City's Peter Marshall who are out with serious injuries.

These two are not only great players but also thorough gentlemen and I wish them a quick recovery.

We all hope to see them back on the park again soon.

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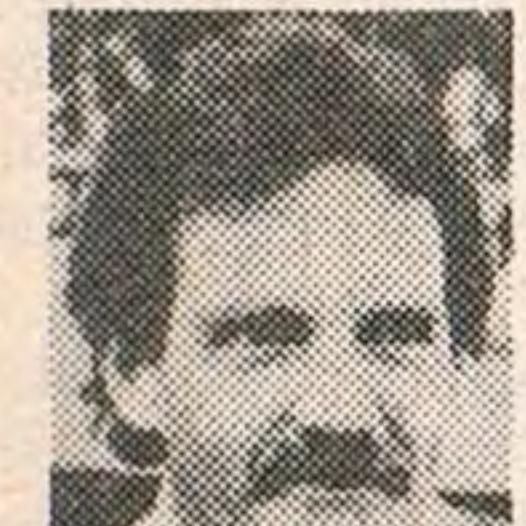
Much is made of best player voting — and indeed, such recognition of achievement is an important part of our game.

The judges who single out players for special credit are usually on the ball, but it can be embarrassing when they are not.

Blacktown has a player-of-the-match award, which is voted upon by a Pressman and a club official.

After a recent game, they decided that Brian O'Donnell should get the award but Brian O'Donnell should get the award but Brian refused to accept it, saying that rather than having been best on the park, he had been one of the worst!

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• Baartz • Watson

In recent years, Sydney City has looked everywhere for a replacement for Joe Watson.

There were patches of ordinary form, some said he was getting old . . . he wouldn't last much longer.



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But Watson keeps on proving them wrong.

Brisbane Lions has achieved great things — an excellent stadium, support from its district, a solid team whose foundations are built on the brilliant service given over the past few years by Jim Hermiston.

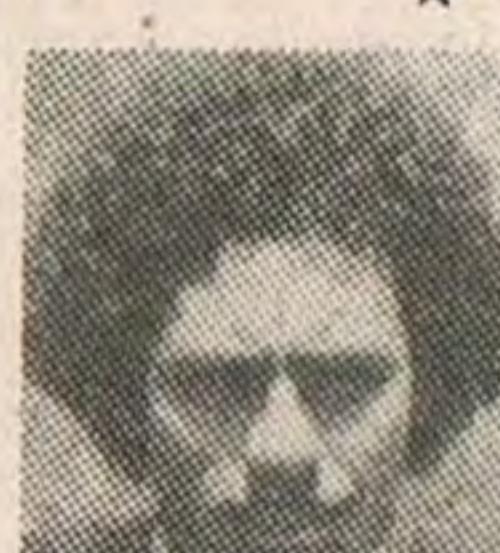
Indeed, there is much for Brisbane Lions should be congratulated.

But there must have been roars of laughter all over Australia when the Lions claimed they were prepared to pay \$700,000 to keep Bob Latchford — \$200,000 for him, and \$500,000 for Everett.

An outlay of that amount, spread over three or four players, would make the Lions the greatest force in Australian soccer.

Perhaps it was only a publicity gimmick, but it certainly did little to encourage the many junior players in the district the club represents.

★★★

• Brennan • Yzendoorn

Australia would win no matter what squad it takes to Fiji on July 26.

The difference in standard between the countries is enormous.

So Les Scheinflug's emphasis on youth does not constitute a risk. Rather, it should be applauded as a great step forward.

I also applaud the inclusion of Canberra's Tony Brennan, who was ignored for too long.

Brennan always has been a potential match-winner, while many reputable forwards, like Cole, Sharne, Boden, Jankovic, Krnevic and others, are unfortunately out of touch.

The decision to fine John Yzendoorn and ban him from four World Cup matches over the "secret tape" affair is nothing short of laughable.

Is Yzendoorn suddenly the scapegoat for all that has gone before?

While Yzendoorn is punished for a minor indiscretion, the ASF chose to ignore much, much bigger issues.

Why, for example, were the complaints of masseur Peter van Rijen ignored after the youth team's games in Paraguay?

Why were the claims of tour leader Michael Weinstein ignored?

What were the reasons behind the resignation of masseur Lubo Gojkovic after the tour of China?

Why was the report of ASF vice-president Vic Tuting swept under the carpet after the Socceroos' world tour?

Why were the players forbidden to speak to the Press on their return from the world tour?

Wouldn't it have been better to have permitted them to air their grievances? Perhaps it would have cleared the air sufficiently to prevent the New Zealand world Cup debacle.

Rudi Gutendorf was here. Now he's gone, but where is Australian soccer?

After all that, what little John Yzendoorn did deserve a smack on the bottom, no more.

What a joke!

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Ray Baartz's achievements as coach of Newcastle have been remarkable for a man who concedes that he has no special coaching skill.

What he does have, however, is common sense and an understanding of what a player needs.

It shows once again what a great authority he is on this game.

Although he says he doesn't want to continue coaching, perhaps some enterprising club could lure him with a job as technical director.

Hellas may tour New Zealand

South Melbourne Hellas is negotiating a tour of New Zealand at the end of the season.

It is envisaged that Hellas will play an Auckland club — probably either Hanimex North Shore United or Mount Wellington — Gisborne City and Christchurch United.

A fixture between Gisborne City and South Melbourne may resurrect the Trans Tasman Champion of Champions title.

This was the billing under which the Mount Wellington v Marconi game of September 1979 was promoted, both clubs having been crowned champions of their respective countries.

That clash, resulting in a 1-1 draw, is rated by many as the best club match in living memory!

Mount Wellington was due to continue the series against Sydney City Hakoah last year, only for its proposed tour of Australia to be cancelled due to other commitments.

It is essential that Gisborne is included in Hellas's itinerary in order to render the tour financially viable. City, New Zealand's best supported team, can guarantee huge takings for Hellas's visit.

Unfortunately City, whose league programme was suspended while its three internationals were on World Cup duty, has a large backlog of fixtures to overcome and may not be able to fit an additional game in.

Gisborne includes three Kiwi World Cup squad members in its line up — John Hill, Grant Turner and Keith MacKay. It also shares coach Kevin Fallon with the national team.

Both Hanimex and Mount Wellington are in the top half of the National League table, and may challenge current title favorite Gisborne or Dunedin City.

Both will serve as a useful tour opener for the Victorians.

Christchurch United also appears unlikely to be among the honors this season, but must be rated as a tough nut to crack, including in its ranks New Zealand sweeper Bobby Almond, former Ipswich Town and Northern Ireland midfielder Pat Sharkey and ex-Victoria State League player Ian Marshall.

United has a proud record against touring teams, its most notable effort being a 2-2 draw with England "B" in 1978.

Its performances against Australian sides have been mixed though. In recent years United has been beaten by West Adelaide Hellas (0-1), Western Suburbs (1-2) and Brisbane City (3-4), drawn 3-3 with Illawarra Soccer Association and gained its solitary kangaroo scalp with a 2-0 success over Canberra Juventus back in 1973.

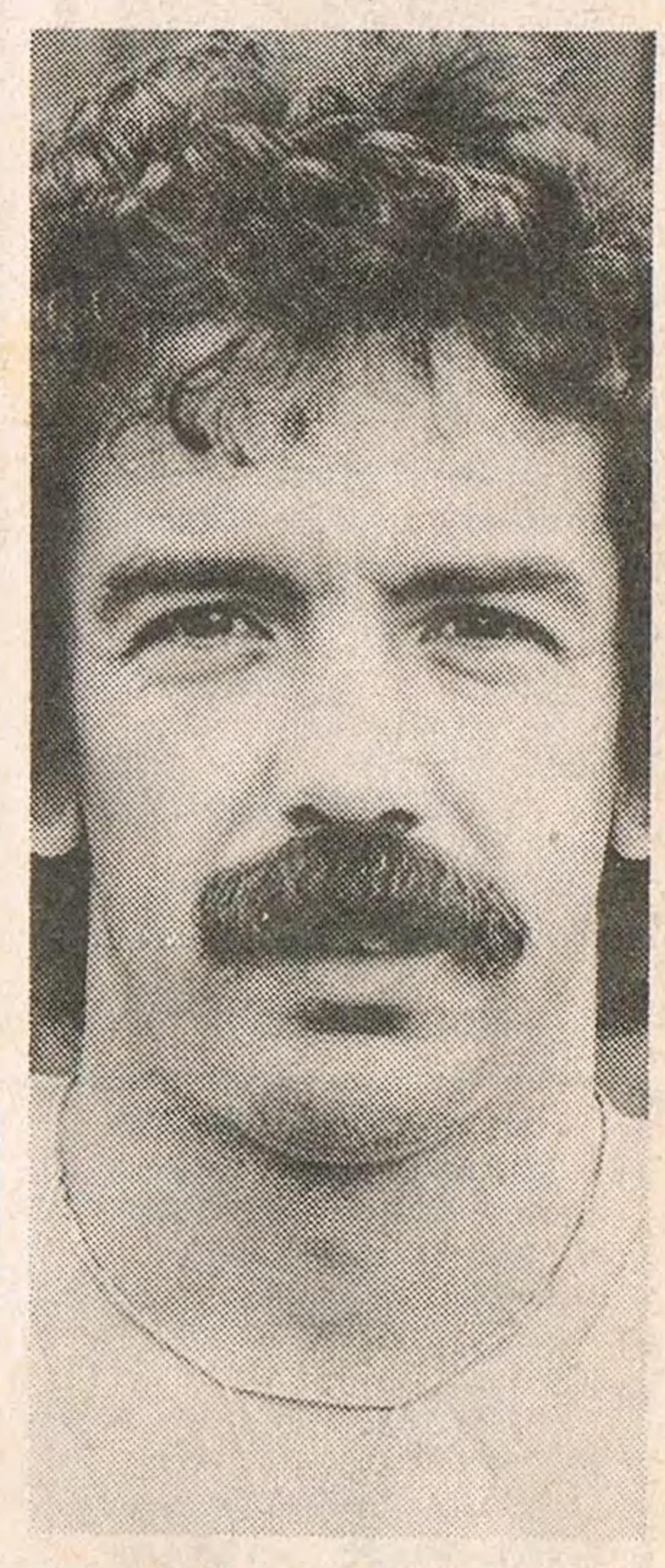
Should the tour go ahead, Hellas will provide a fascinating finale to a historic to a historic season in New Zealand.

— PAUL MOON

TOP KIWI CLUB TO PLAY FOUR MATCHES HERE

Hanimex North Shore United, which starts a whirlwind 10-day, four-match tour of Australia on July 28, boast a long, proud and honor-laden history.

By PAUL MOON



Adrian Elrick

Schools team which toured Australia in 1976. Last year he trialled with Stockport County in England.

One of the country's most dynamic forwards, Peter Henry endeavoured to further his career at Sydney City Hakoah last year, only to return home disappointed.

He is now determined to win a place in the Kiwi national team and prove the Bondi-based club wrong in releasing him. On current form this is a real possibility.

Henry, along with Adrian Elrick, is a leading contender for the Arcus Trophy, awarded to the National League's best and fairest player.

After a topsy-turvy career, goalkeeper Alan Gilchrist is now producing his best form and was instrumental in the 1-0 win at Gisborne City that kept North Shore in the National League title race.

Tony Scheirlinck played in all three games when New Zealand carried off last year's Oceania Youth Tournament.

A resourceful midfield player, his first team opportunities have been restricted by the consistency of Hobbs and Hall, but his opportunity will inevitably come.

In the course of the past two years Brian McKeown has emerged as a prolific goalscorer. He is particularly strong in the air and a large percentage of his goals come via the forehead.

Striking partner Kevin Weymouth made his international debut in 1975, the first of 23 caps including the two World Cup encounters with Australia two years later.

His career has been handicapped by a lack of dedication, but he retains the knack of putting the ball into the net.

Coach Don Jones has been likened to England's Brian

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• Baartz • Watson

In recent years, Sydney City has looked everywhere for a replacement for Joe Watson.

There were patches of ordinary form, some said he was getting old . . . he wouldn't last much longer.

Transferring to New Zealand — Marshall joined Christchurch United and promptly helped them capture the 1978 League Championship.

A busy, constructive midfielder, he was outstanding playing for a Southern Regional select team which drew 1-1 with New Zealand during a trial game in May 1980.

This display had many critics urging his inclusion in the Kiwi's World Cup squad, but John Adshead already had a final team in mind and Marshall was not called upon.

Now 31 years of age, it appears that any chance of international representation has gone, but he is destined to be remembered as a player who gave invaluable service to clubs on both sides of the Tasman.

— PAUL MOON

CUMMINGS, LUTTON IN



MATCH RATING

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SM-Hellas 4 APIA 1

Scorers: SM: Wooddin 29th, Evans 30th, 41st. & 65th.; APIA: Butler 73rd.
Venue: Middle Park.
Referee: Stewart Mellings

Cautions: Butler, Soper (APIA), Davidson, Evans (SM).
SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 6 — V. Bannon 8, Blair 8, Xanthopoulos 7, Davidson 8 — Stevenson 9, Shirra 9 (inj. sub Campbell 73rd), Rogers 6 — Wooddin 8, Evans 10, Buljevic 8.

APIA-LEICHARD: Woodhouse 7 — McAusland 5, Wilson 8, Hughes 5, Pullen 5 — Zaccoccini 5, Gray 7, Bradley 6, Butler 6 — O'Connor 7 (inj. sub Morsello 5, half time), Soper 5.

South Melbourne Hellas will reap the benefits of having a large squad when it goes to Wollongong on Sunday without

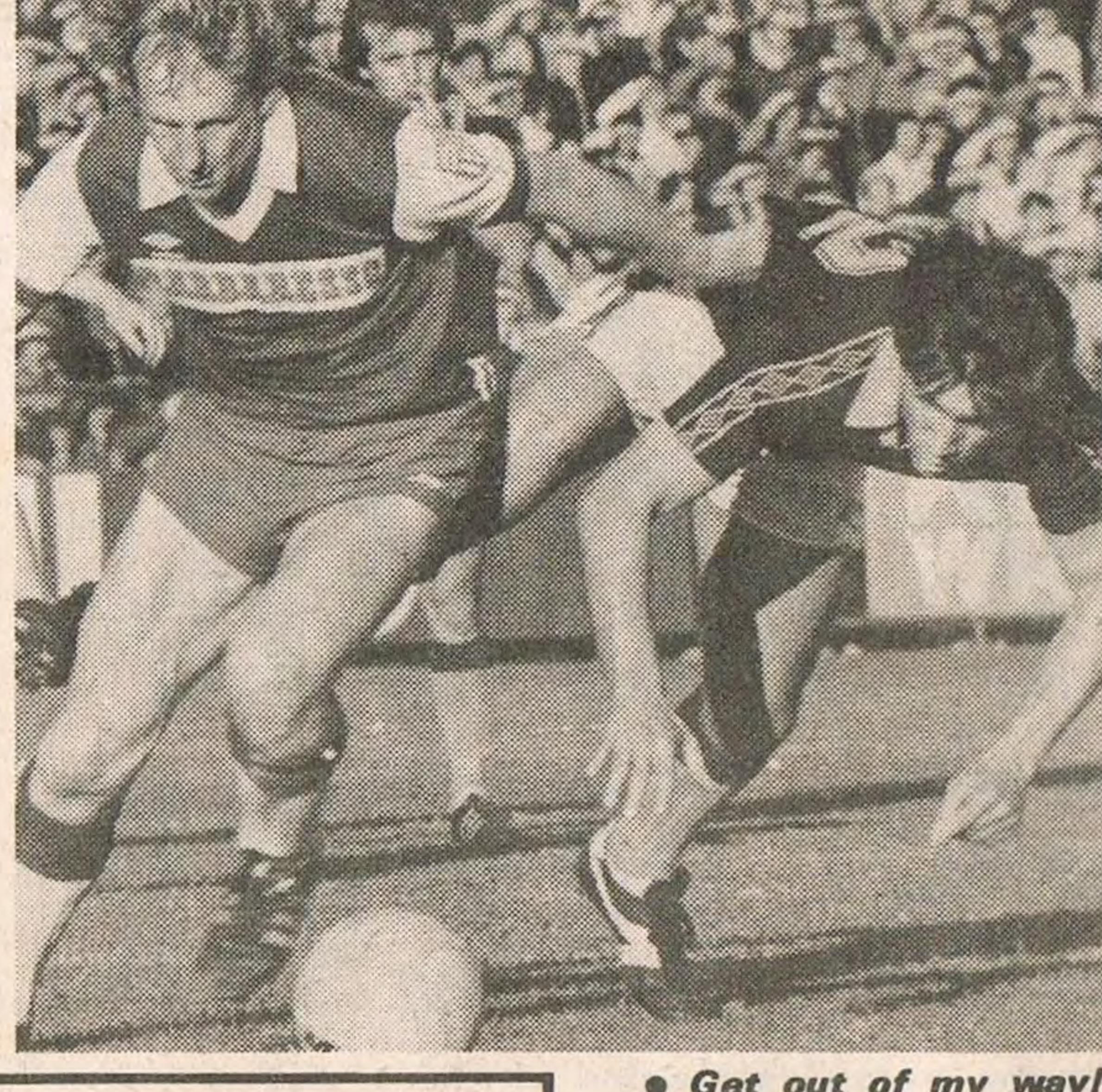
Alun Evans, Alan Davidson and Steve Blair.

Evans, who scored a brilliant hat-trick against APIA, is suspended, and the other two are in Fiji with the national team.

Duncan Cummings will take Evans' place alongside Steve Wooddin and Branko Buljevic in defence.

Billy Rogers will move back to Blair's stopper's position and George Campbell comes in to replace Rogers in midfield.

"All credit goes to them,"



• Get out of my way! Jim Shirra brushed aside Tony Morsello.



Hilton Silva

We'll beat Hellas: Morton

Wollongong 2 West Adelaide 1

Goals: Campbell, Fontana (W); Smythe (WA).
Venue: Wollongong Showgrounds.

Crowd: 4360
Referee: Henry Witschge 7.

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 8 — Fleming 7, Bortogne 8, de Graaf 7, Ainsworth 9 — Adam 7, Dunleavy 8, Tredinnick 8 — Campbell 7, Fontana 8 (inj. sub Key 80th), Lathan 9.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Crook 9 — Maricic 6, Kambas 6, Forde 6, Bozanic 6 — McGregor 7, Honeyman 7, Brown 6 — Manecas 5, Lorenzini 5 (Marwa 70th), Smythe 7.

Wollongong has recaptured its spark, says coach Ken Morton. It will finish the season the way it started — full of fire, full of running, strong and tight, creative and deadly.

And South Melbourne Hellas will be the next victim, Morton says.

"We're full of confidence now," he said after beating West Adelaide Hellas.

"We'll beat South Melbourne, no risk. No, we're not going to draw — we're going to win."

Morton's confidence was boosted further when the news filtered through that Hellas star Alun Evans will be suspended from Sunday's game against Wollongong and that Alan Davidson and Steve Blair will be away with the World Cup team.

Jim McBreen, who was suspended last week, is available to play against Hellas, but Morton probably will avoid the temptation of changing the team, as it has been playing well.

John Lathan has been a big hit up front since being switched from midfield. Glen Fontana and Clive Campbell now have the support they lacked during the less successful weeks.

Jeff Ainsworth also has hit peak form. His attacking thrusts from left back have become a vital factor in Wollongong's play.

Ainsworth scored what looked like a brilliant headed goal, but the referee ruled that Chris Dunleavy — at the other side of the goal, and by no means interfering with play — was offside.

West Adelaide Hellas had honest battlers in Graeme Honeyman and the skilful Vic

Thomastown v Meadow Park, Heidelberg v Nunawading.

Under 15: St Melb v Albion, Doveton v Doncaster, Fawkner v Essendon, Nuna City or St Albans v Clarinda.

Under 16: Port Melb v Croydon, Bellstar v St Melb, Clifton Hill v Hawthorn, Sunshine City v Mossfiel.

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BYRNE BANNED IN BASHING BY 'BERGERS

47 58 73 89
Canberra 1
Heidelberg 5
Goals: Can: Byrne, Heberg:
Cole 2, Paton 2, Tasevski.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 9,
M. O'Shea 7, Williams 7, Cole
7, J. O'Shea 8, Byrne 7 (Massa
70th), Moutopoulos 7,
Gibson 7 (Valeri 62nd), McLa-
ren 8, Brennan 7, Purdie 7.
HEIDELBERG: Oliver 7,
McMillan 9, Yzendoorn 8,
Solemidis 7, Yankos 8, Rooney
8, Campbell 7, Bozikas 8 (Ta-
sevski), Provan 7, Paton 8,
Cole 8.

Ref: Tony Boskovic.
Cautions: Byrne (yellow
card).
Crowd: 4060.

Relegation-threatened Hei-
delberg, with just 12 fit men to
call on, turned in a remarkable
second half goal-blitz to serve
Canberra its worst ever home
defeat.

New coach Len McKendry
obviously was ecstatic.

Heidelberg had found the
form that made it last year's
grand final winners.

In contrast, Canberra's
coach George Murray had
every reason to be dejected as
his team made fundamental
second-half defensive mistakes
to allow Heidelberg back
into the match.

Canberra had totally domi-
nated the first half and at the
break led 1-0 through a 17th
minute goal by Ian Purdie.

Such was their dominance
that it should have been two or
three — although Canberra
constantly let itself down when,
having made the break it then
allowed itself to be caught with a one-man — or at
best two-man — attacking ma-
chine.

That just isn't the way to
win matches.

But take nothing away from
Heidelberg's victory.

At half time it was Canberra
by a mile; at full-time Heidel-
berg by a marathon.



Peter Windsor

MATCH RATING

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So much of their second-half
dominance (Canberra's defensive
mistakes aside) was made possible by a well-taken
goal less than one minute into the
half by big Socceroo striker
Gary Cole.

It came from a set-play.

Defender John Yzendoorn,
who had a big game, floated
over a well-taken free kick
that nobody in Canberra's
defence reached and Cole was
able to gather the ball on the
far side and glide it past
Canberra's goalkeeper Steve
Hoszowski as Hoszowski came
out to narrow the angle.

It was Cole who also did the
damage in the 58th minute
with another well-taken goal
— and another defensive lapse.

Canberra then dropped its
bundle.

Terry Byrne, injured in the
opening 10 minutes, was again
hurt in the second half and was
replaced by John Massa in the
70th minute.

Murray also replaced Ian
Gibson with Walter Valeri as
Valeri, plagued in recent
weeks by injury, badly needs
match fitness.

Neither move worked.

Massa tried hard to fulfil a
sweeper role and Valeri tried
hard to break down Heidel-
berg's defence.

But Heidelberg was strong in
both defence and attack.

Old campaigners Jimmy
Rooney and Arthur McMillan,
Marshall 5, Hunter 8, (Houssaine 52).

particularly the latter, had a
magnificent second half.

So, too, did Charlie Yankos
and John Yzendoorn. This
backline and midfield revival,
coupled with Canberra's
collapse and Cole and Paton's
constant running, was what
made all of the difference in
the second half.

Unselfishly, when having a
chance at a hat-trick, Cole
gave the ball to Paton in the
73rd minute and the strikes ob-
liged by scoring.

From then on it was one-
way traffic, although one ex-
pected 3-1 to be the final scoreline.

Then came Heidelberg's re-
markable final goals in the last
60 seconds.

Paton got the first of them
and then Tommy Tasevski
right on full-time, hit a great,
30-metre thunderbolt that gave
Canberra's goalkeeper Steve
Hoszowski no chance.

Hoszowski, in fact, could not
be blamed for any of the goals.

In fact the opposite was
true. Without his brilliance it
could easily have been six or
seven & such was Heidelberg's
second-half dominance.

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For Canberra it was a re-
lief that really ends their bid
to give front-runners Sydney
City and South Melbourne a
real run for their money.

And this Sunday they face
Footscray J.U.S.T. in Mel-
bourne — without Byrne
through automatic suspension
as he got a yellow card, and
Tony Brennan who will be on
Australian squad duty.

This was a great match that
had the crowd on their toes

until the final whistle. Marconi
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but Sydney Olympic always
looked dangerous and indeed
for the last 10 minutes they
had Marconi on the ropes.

Marconi started at a brisk
pace whereas Olympic had
trouble getting on the move.

Marconi had two first-rate
shots, Sharne with only one
minute on the clock and Gary
Byrne from 20m in the 10th
minute whereas we had to wait
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Olympic could get one in.

Marconi's play was typified
by short passes which always
seemed to find their man.

With this sort of precision it
was no surprise when Marconi
netted.

The goal came after Marconi
had knocked it into the middle



Paul Burrows' boot comes perilously close to the head of Bugsy Nyskohus. Picture by FRANK HOBBS

Jankovics goals just in time

Marconi 2 Olympic 1

Ground: Marconi Stadium
Crowd: 7319

Referee: G. Power 7

Scorers: Johnston 29, Jan-
kovics 56, Katholos 84.

MARCONI: Maher 7,
Brogan 7, Degney 7, Hender-
son 6, Jankovics 7, Byrne 8,
Sharne 8, Johnston 7, (Pi-
ciano 84), Krcevic 6, Mar-
iani 7, Hunter 8, (Houssaine 52).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Wilson 7,
Moulis 7, Scott 7, Rasko-
polous 8, Rowden 7, Wilson 7,
Laing 7, (Jamieson 85), Gavin
6, (Townson 74), Cotton 7,
Ratholos 7, Jennings 7.

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MATCH RATING

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Adel. C. 0
Blacktown 0

Caution: Hormazabel
(Blacktown)

Crowd: 3,700

Ground: Olympic Sports
Field

Referee: Bob Kerr 7

ADELAIDE CITY JUVEN-
TUS: Prybylski 6 - Russell 8,
Millef 7, (Northcote) Jones 7,
B. Nyskohus 8 - Villani 7, Ma-
rocchi 7, Melta 7 - Nyskohus
7, Mitchell 8, Fashanu 8.

BLACKTOWN: James 8 -
Wheatley 8, Djordjevic 7,
Pointer 7, Rasmussen 7 -
Hormazabel 7, Salvage 7,
Turner 7 (Jones), O'Donnell 8
- Krstic 7, Burrows 8.

Raleasic's defensive
brand of soccer brought him a
bonus against Adelaide City.

Not only did it enable Black-
town to pull four points clear
of West Adelaide which now
looks doomed to relegation,
but the 0-0 draw must be seen
as something of a moral win
for him against his old side.

This match is one Bob D'Ot-
tavi and Adelaide City will
want to forget in a hurry. And
so too will the spectators.

They were bored silly by
dour, drab, defensive Black-
town which also did an ex-
cessive amount of time was-
ting.

But Adelaide City had only
itself to blame for not winning
the match.

When it had Blacktown on
the verge of collapse, it wasted
three or four good opportuni-
ties.

City was also hampered by
some bad luck.

Justin Fashanu could have
put City ahead in the 50th
minute but he headed against
the bar.

The rebound fell to Bobby
Russell who headed it power-
fully back into goal, but the
ball was blocked on the line.

For the first time in the
match, City appeared to have
found a way through Black-
town's off-side trap but despite
the opportunities it still could
not score.

David Mitchell belted the
ball high over the bar and
Fashanu slammed it wide;
both players were guilty of
over enthusiasm.

Brian Northcote who had
come on as a substitute prob-
ably had the best chance when
he sprinted into the penalty
area but he shot straight at
Bruce James who did well to
gather the shot cleanly.

City ran out of ideas towards
the end when it was most vul-
nerable because Blacktown
began to put together some
dangerous moves.

Fortunately for City, Black-
town also had the jitters in
front of goal.

Two of the best players on
the ground were Youth and
Senior internationals - City's
David Mitchell and Black-
town's Robert Wheatley.

Mitchell played his typical,
robust game while Wheatley
played aggressively from
defence.

The player with the easiest
job all day was Blacktown
sweeper Jovan Djordjevic who
reduced the match to walking
pace - literally.

He was a vital player in
Raleasic's defensive strategy.

The nearest Blacktown
came to scoring was late in
the second half when Stewart
Selvage belted a shot into the side
netting.

PHILIPS YOUTH LEAGUE

Blacktown 1 (Pollard) Sydney City Hakoah 1 (Vale) — midweek.

Marconi 3 (Carbone, P. Scheinfliug, Muir) Sydney

Olympic 2 (Ankudinoff 2).

Australian Sports Institute (AIS) 2 (Wright, McLach-
ian) Sydney City Hakoah 5 (Tessere, De Marigny, Vale,
Fletcher).

Canberra City 2 (Nouisinan 2) Wollongong 0.

Blacktown 0 Newcastle KB Utd 0.

Marconi..... 18 12 4 2 49 17 28

APIA..... 17 12 3 2 42 20 27

AIS..... 21 11 3 7 56 37 25

Newcastle KB..... 18 8 7 3 34 29 23

Syd. C. Hakoah..... 18 6 7 5 40 26 19

Syd. Olympic..... 19 6 6 7 27 23 18

Wollongong..... 20 6 2 12 23 47 14

Blacktown..... 17 2 3 12 21 42 7

Canberra..... 16 1 1 14 12 63 3



David Mitchell in
action against Black-
town.

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PRESENTS

PHILIPS LEAGUE STANDINGS

Figures in brackets denote last week's position on the ladder.

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	A	Gls	Pts			
1. (1) Sydney City Hakoah	9	2	0	27	9	5	1	5	10	11	37:20	31
2. (2) *South Melbourne Hellas	8	2	1	17	8	2	7	1	12	11	29:19	29
3. (5) Adelaide C. Juventus	7	1	4	18	12	4	3	3	17	12	35:24	26
4. (3) *APIA-Leichhardt	6	3	1	15	7	4	3	4	12	14	27:23	26
5. (4) Canberra City	4	4	3	18	13	5	3	3	11	7	29:20	25
6. (7) Brisbane City	8	2	1	18	4	1	5	5	6	13	24:16	25
7. (6) *Brisbane Lions	7	3	1	17	6	0	6	4	9	13	26:19	23
8. (9) Wollongong	3	6	2	15	13	3	5	4	10	9	25:22	23
9. (8) Newcastle KB United	4	4	3	19	11	5	1	5	12	18	31:29	23
10. (10) *Marconi Datsun	6	2	3	14	13	3	2	5	5	15	29:28	22
11. (13) *Heidelberg Alexander	3	2	5	10	12	4	2	5	21	21	31:33	18
12. (11) *Sydney Olympic	5	4	2	17	13	1	2	8	13	25	30:38	18
13. (12) Footscray JUST	5	4	2	15	11	1	1	9	5	27	20:38	17
14. (14) Preston Makedonia	4	4	3	17	12	1	2	8	8	22	25:34	16
15. (15) Blacktown City	3	3	5	14	16	1	4	6	11	18	25:34	15
16. (16) West Adelaide Hellas	3	2	5	11	11	1	1	10	9	25	20:36	11

*Match in hand.

TEAM OF WEEK

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

WISHART (1)
(Brisbane City)**RATCLIFFE (2)**
(Brisbane City)**AINSWORTH (3)**
(Wollongong)**McMILLAN (4)**
(Heidelberg)**WATSON (4)**
(Syd. C. Hakoah)**STEVENSON (2)**
(Sth Melb Hellas)**SHIRRA (2)**
(Sth Melb. Hellas)**LATHAN (2)**
Wollongong**BURROWS (4)**
(Blacktown)**EVANS (5)**
(Sth Melb Hellas)**BROWN (4)**
(Makedonia)

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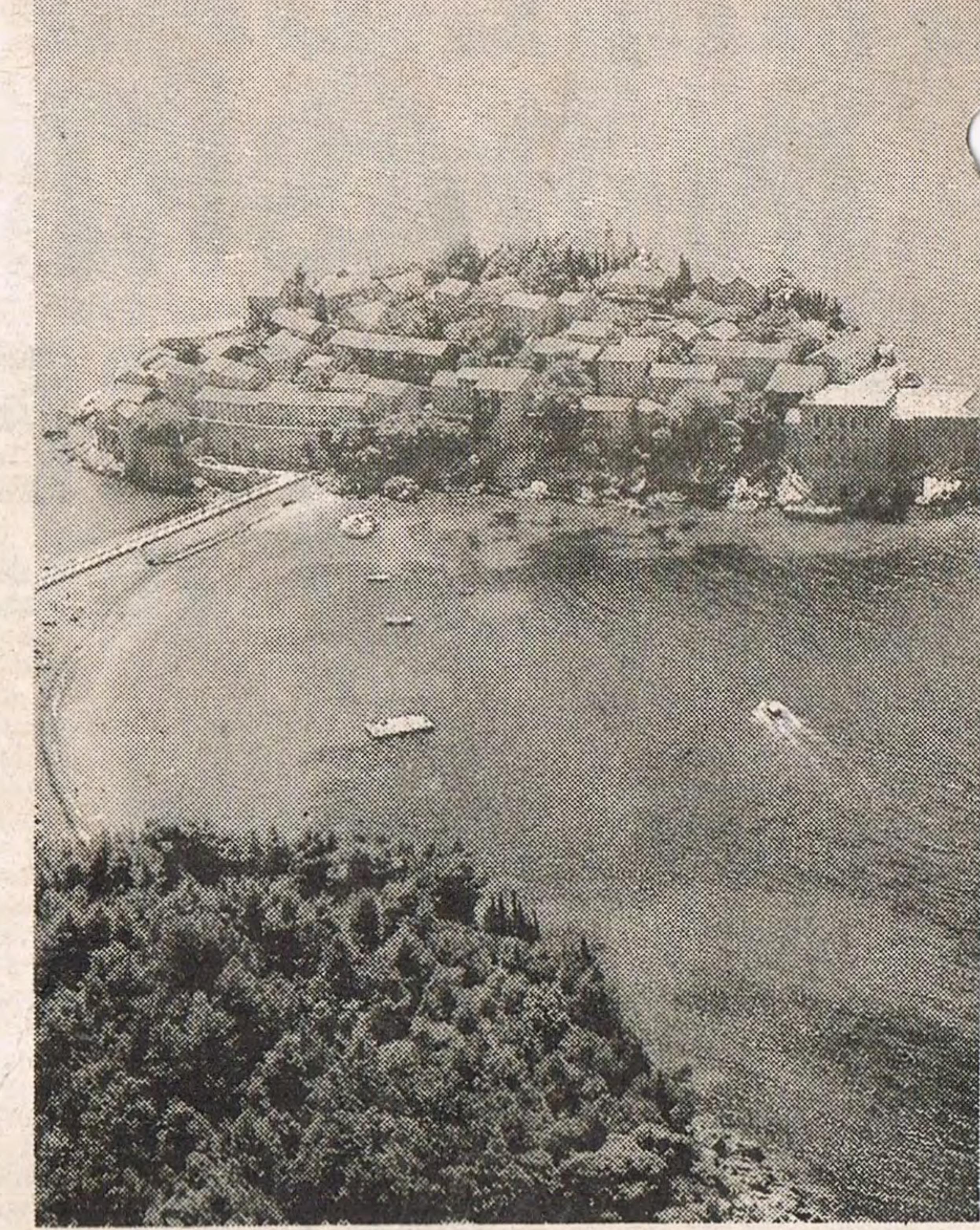
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Day 9 Tuesday - DUBROVNIK/MOSTAR.
Day 10 Wednesday - MOSTAR/SARAJEVO.
Day 11 Thursday - SARAJEVO/BELGRADE.

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Day 12 Friday - BELGRADE.

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Day 13 Saturday - Tour ends after breakfast.

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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

WOLLONGONG 2 (Campbell, Fontana) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 1 (Smythe) at Wollongong Showgrounds. Votes by Knut Werner:

6. Ainsworth (W), 5. Latham (W), 4. Crook (WA), 3. Tredinnick (W), 2. Dunleavy (W), 1. Fontana (W).

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 4 (Evans 3, Woodin)

APIA-LEICHARDT 1 (Butler) at Middle Park. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Evans (SM), 5. Stevenson (SMA), 4. Shirra (SM), 3.

Bannon (SM), 2. Buljevic (SM), 1. Woodin (SM)

BRISBANE CITY 1 (P. Wilkinson) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Spencer Park. Votes by Bruce Waddell:

6. Wishard (BC), 5. Ratcliffe (BC), 4. Dunne (BC), 3. Gaffney (BC), 2. Williamson (BL), 1. McVeigh (BC)

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 3 (Watson, Boden, Barnes)

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 0 at Sydney Athletic Field. Votes by Tom Anderson:

6. Watson (SC), 5. Boden (SC), 4. Murray (SC), 3. Boland

JUST), 2. O'Reilly (JUST), 1. Robertson (SC).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 0 BLACKTOWN CITY 0 at Olympic Sports Field. Votes by Mimo Toutsidis:

6. B. Nyskohus (AC), 5. Mitchell (AC), 4. Wheatley (B), 3.

Burrows (B), 2. Russell (AC), 1. O'Donnell (B).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Lucchesi, Brown, Flavell)

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED 1 (Heys) at International Sports Centre. Votes by Dick Prendergast:

6. Brown (Mak), 5. Lucchesi (Mak), 4. Senkalski (N), 3.

Farrell (Mak), 2. Mason (N), 1. Rainey (Mak)

BLACKTOWN 1 (Krstie) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 0 at Marconi Stadium (midweek). Votes by Roger Sherack:

6. Burrows (B), 5. Djordjevic (B), 4. Spanos (SC), 3. James (B), 2. Krstic (B), 1. Mullen (SC).

MARCONI-DATSON 2 (Johnston, Jankovics) SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Katholos) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Ted Smithies:

6. Byrne (M), 5. Sharne (M), 4. Raskopoulos (SO), 3. Hunter (M), 2. Jankovics (M), 1. Katholos (SO).

CANBERRA CITY 1 (Purdie) HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER 5 (Cole 2, Paton 2, Tasevski) at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6. Hoszowski (C), 5. McMillan (H), 4. Yzendoorn (H), 3. McLaren (C), 2. Yankos (H), 1. J. O'Shea (C).

Leaders:

66. Mitchell (AC)

64. Hermiston (BL)

57. Bennett (BL)

56. Crook (WA)

55. Byrne (Can)

51. Boland (JUST)

49. Evans (SM), Dunleavy (Well)

48. Bertogna (Well), O'Connor, Wilson (APIA)

46. Burrows (Black)

Top scorers:

10. Boden, Barnes (SC)

9. Evans (SM), P. Wilkinson (BC)

9. Olerton (Mak), Cole (H'berg), Mitchell, J. Nyskohus (AC)

7. Kosmina (SC), Christopoulos (SM), Paton (H'berg), Koussas (SO), Soper (APIA).

J.U.S.T. strikes back

APIA'S turn for title tilt

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Fabulous Footscray J.U.S.T. and Murray's Maestros clash at Schintler Reserve on Sunday and if anyone's game to predict the outcome they can write to me c/o "Soccer Action", 603 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, 3000.

I always said that JUST would come good in fact I knew that the early relegation fears which swept the club were completely unfounded.

I don't know why some journalists continually referred to the Victorian State League clubs waiting to vie to take JUST's place in the 1982 PSL. I mean, it was obvious, wasn't it, that Cedo Cirkovic's coaching methods and the quality and depth of JUST's playing staff were too good for the lower rungs of the PSL ladder.

One day Zdravko Lujic returned from Yugoslavia and the rest of JUST's players returned from their playing holiday in soccer's Siberia there were no nagging doubts remaining about the club's ability to surge up the table.

Steve Kakantonis finally he found a place in PSL soccer, strangely though as a defender, not as a forward where he played as a junior and forced his way into South Melbourne Hellas's first team squad before transferring to JUST this season.

And Johan Verweij seems to be running into top form up front.

But Canberra still entertains slim hopes of topping the PSL table at the end of an arduous season.

With South Melbourne Hellas and Sydney City slipping up in recent weeks the title race is open.

I've fluctuated this year from Canberra to Adelaide City to Sydney City. And I've

given South Melbourne Hellas a plug from time to time. I think I've successfully covered the title contenders but I had my doubts about a month ago. I wondered how I could start saying good things about Brisbane City. But now the Brisbane boys are out of sight and out of mind. APIA Leichhardt looms on the championship horizon. I'll have to work out some way of manoeuvring Willie Wallace's Wonderteam into my calculations.

Anyway back to Schintler Reserve. No way am I going to separate two of my favorite PSL sides. I'm trying to balance on the fence but it gets higher as the season draws to an exciting climax. Let's say neither side deserves to lose.

Marconi's heavy commitment to Australia's World Cup clash with Fiji has led to a postponement of Sunday's planned Olympic Park battle with old rival Heidelberg.

Preston Makedonia's problems won't be eased by its trip to Lambert Park to face APIA on Sunday.

Phil O'Connor and Terry Butler will struggle to overcome injuries received two weeks ago against Wollongong but Marshall Soper and Tony Morsello will give Makedonia's defenders plenty to worry about.

Peter Wilson won't want to get caught in a one-on-one confrontation with Doug Brown whose speed and close ball



Believe it or not. Brilliant Footscray J.U.S.T. keeper Dennis Boland heads clear, foiling an Adelaide City attack.

skills could worry the APIA sweeper.

But the home side, spurred on by its title tilt, should appease its Italian followers by taking both points.

South Melbourne Hellas has to break down Wollongong's defensive discipline at the Wollongong Showgrounds on Sunday.

It's like a New Zealand benefit game with Steve Wooddin, Clive Campbell and Billy de Graff on display.

Wooddin's the pick of the three and should play a prominent part in a Hellas win.

Sydney City could drop an important point in the championship race when it travels to Richlands Stadium on Sunday to confront Brisbane Lions.

Adelaide City's recent slump won't end at the International Sports Field on Sunday when Newcastle KB take on Bob D'Ottavi's side.

KB has plenty to thank caretaker coach Ray Baartz for. And the players should give Baartz's shortlived senior coaching career another boost by beating the visitors.

Blacktown is making a desperate bid to climb clear of the

dreaded relegation zone. Rale Rasic's side should snatch a valuable point from Brisbane City at Gabbie Stadium on Sunday.

It won't surprise me to see West Adelaide take the points from its clash with Sydney Olympic at Hindmarsh Stadium on Sunday.

West has made it clear that it intends to go down fighting.

And Olympic's defence shouldn't pose too many problems. West should create a few clear scoring chances. The rest is up to strikers Manecas, Aldo Lorenzoni and Vic Smythe.

ADELAIDE CITY FOR THE CUP!

One of the dreams of the 1981 Philips Cup promoters will come true at Hindmarsh Stadium, next Wednesday, July 29, when Adelaide City and West Adelaide clash in their cup semi-final set for a 7.30 pm kick-off.

You couldn't wish for a better draw — a semi-final and a derby match rolled into one and served up to what should be a large, enthusiastic crowd.

Forget about the gap between these sides on the PSL ladder. This is a make or break situation, a sudden death contest, and spurred on by a last chance to salvage glory from this season both sides should stand and deliver for the full 90 minutes.

It could be a case of who breaks first, I've been impressed by Adelaide City throughout this season and I see no reason to change. Bob D'Ottavi can have the honor of leading his charges into the glamourous Philips Cup Final in his first stint as a PSL coach.

And I expect Adelaide City to go one step further and win the Philips Cup!

While recent league efforts have seen Adelaide City's championship drive wane the organisation and attacking flair of D'Ottavi's outfit makes it one of the most exciting sides in the land.

Flair is the keynote here. David Mitchell, Charlie Villani and Johnny Nyskohus are creative, intelligent players with the ability to produce the unpredictable, lethal touch which is the hallmark of most successful cup sides.

I believe that Mitchell won't return from Australia's World Cup clash with Fiji until the day of this game but he's an integral part of Adelaide City's plans.

There won't be much between these sides at the finish but I'm tipping Adelaide City to continue along the road to cup glory.

LEICHARDT is having its best season in the PSL



MARCELO PLAYED FOR ARGENTINA

Marcelo Houseman, the 20-year-old brother of Argentine World Cup star, Rene Houseman, played 16 matches for the Argentine under 21 team and nine for the South American under 21 squad.

He said the two teams were specially selected from what officials considered were the players of the future, adding that current World champion Diego Maradona played for the South American under 21 eleven when he was 17.

Houseman said Australian soccer was much faster and much harder than in Argentina, and there was more accent here on body contact than on ball playing.

From lager to Lions

Joe Gilroy, the successful coach of Brisbane Lions, ran a highly profitable hotel in Glasgow, before deciding the Australian way of life was a much better environment in which to bring up his children.

Gilroy is best known in Scotland for his coaching stint at the amateur Queen's Park club, where he was credited with developing several outstanding youngsters, some of whom went on to sign with English clubs.

He also is a qualified school teacher and was on the verge of accepting a teaching position in Brisbane before accepting the Lions coaching offer.

NEW PSL DATES

Dates of postponed Philips League matches:

Wednesday, August 12, 3 pm: Brisbane City v. South Melbourne Hellas at Spencer Park, Brisbane.

Friday, August 28: Heidelberg v. Brisbane Lions at Olympic Park.

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Hundred and all at home

When Lou Denys was a brilliant young goalkeeper at St. Albans he could have accepted an offer from Rale Rasic to join Melbourne in the State League. Later, he turned down offers from George Cross.

Denys is a St. Albans boy — always was, always will be. Couldn't see the sense in travelling to the other side of town for training.

But he did accept an offer from Green Gully Ajax when that club was promoted to the State League in 1976. Ajax, you see, is only a few minutes' walk from the St. Albans club where he came up through the ranks.

On Sunday Lou Denys played his 100th consecutive game for Ajax.

VSF president John Dimtsis presented him with a memento before the kick-off of the match against George Cross, yet another presentation was made at the clubrooms afterwards, and the cameras of Channel 0 were there to capture it all.

And back at his home — he built it with his own two hands, with a little help from his



Lou Denys in action for Green Gully Ajax during and Ampol Cup match.

friends — he and those same friends celebrated later into the night.

It was a special day also for little Adrian, the only child of Lou and his wife Erika.

Adrian had insisted that he run out onto the field and through the banner with his dad before the game. Lou had given in, and if Lou felt proud, Adrian was prouder than anyone.

Adrian, by the way, was the star goalkeeper of the Ajax under 10s last year. Now he's playing on the wing.

What pleased Lou most about the big occasion was the effect it had on the many kids at Ajax.

"A bit of recognition like this must help to motivate the kids. They see there's a real feeling of sportsmanship in the game — and there are goals at which to aim."

"The publicity — the TV — is also fantastic. The kids couldn't wait to get into the clubrooms to be part of it all."

"It's a bit of glamor for them. It's great."

A club profile on Green Gully Ajax, featuring film and an interview with Lou Denys will be shown soon on Channel 0's "World of Soccer" programme. — LAURIE SCHWAB

Nags would have been better!

NORTHCOTE 1 (Vasic)
CROATIA 0

NORTHCOTE: Tachiris 6 — Nelson 6, Petras 6, Bozikis 7, Petrov 6 — Moulas 5, Kalifidis 6, Rujevic 5, Tsetsos 4 — Sahinidis 7, Vasic 7.

CROATIA: Blasby 7 — Short 6, P. Bannon 5, Kokoska 7, Adams 7 — Andrews 6 (inj. Bilevar 38th. 5), Kerr 4, Murphy 4 — Mitten 6, Brogan 5, Batinovic 5.

Croatia officials complained about the condition of the pitch, the match ball and the refereeing of Nick Karlich after this match. They also should have complained about the most inept display I've seen from a Croatia side in the last two years!

Northcote won because it was the better of a bad pair and Ned Batinovic missed a golden opportunity to put Croatia one up in the second half.

Noel Mitten intercepted a bad back pass and under pressure from "Rocky" Tachiris and a Northcote defender, Mitten managed to tap the ball back to Batinovic. With Mitten, Tachiris and the defender lying almost on the goal line, Batinovic moved inside and from four metres out shot against the defender and the ball deflected across goal and out for a corner. I hardly could believe my eyes!

Within seconds Dragan Vasic had turned Steve Koska inside the Croatia area and struck the killer blow by shooting low past Peter Blasby's full length attempt to save.

It was bye bye Croatia from that moment on.

Ken Murphy and Alan Kerr couldn't put a foot right.

Murphy constantly lost possession and Kerr's timing was sadly astray.

Paddy Bannon was playing the ball long as early as the

Egan again

ALTONA 1 (O'Boyle)
FRANKSTON 3 (Egan 2, Buchanan)

ALTONA: Masseni 7 - P. Wilson 7, K. Wilson 8, Kilpatrick 8, Thompson 7 - Watters 7, Whyte 6, Innes 7 - Little 6, Mercer 7, O'Boyle 6 (Hands 80th)

FRANKSTON: Gilbert 8 - Towers 7, Adams 7, Stewart 8, Irving 8 - Holford 9, Lesbirel 8, Tutill 7 - Deliyannis 7, Egan 8, Buchanan 7.

Charlie Egan hit the goal trail again as Altona turned on one of its worst displays of the year to go down 3-1 to the Baysiders and firmly anchor itself to the bottom of the State League ladder.

George Watters played a one-two with Kevin Innes which ended with Innes setting up Steve O'Boyle whose hard, low shot from the edge of the area beat Dave Gilbert at the near post to put Altona up in the 15th minute.

A great run by Billy Buchanan in the 30th minute evened the score when the blond Frankston striker hammered a shot into the bottom far corner.

Egan's second half goals gave Frankston an important win as it fights to move clear of the bottom sides.

Billy Delyannis slammed a fierce shot at goal in the 55th minute which Dennis Masseni did well to parry but the incoming Egan had no trouble shooting accurately from close range.

Graham Tutill made a good run down Frankston's left in the 65th minute then slid the ball through to Egan who shot the ball away inside the far upright from about 10 metres.

French fires

RINGWOOD 0 HAKOAH 3 (French 3)

RINGWOOD: Fearn 6 — Pesman 8, Brooks 6, Luyton 6, Verniers 6 — O'Riley 6, Dixon 7, O'Brien 7, Thom 6 — Greener 7, Sinclair 6.

HAKOAH: Fryzzer 6 — Jordanou 7 — Davidson 6, Hannah 7, Wilson 8, Dosen 6 — Thomson 6, Gadsby 6, Klug 6 — French 8 (inj. McNeil 82nd), C. Kent 7.

Graham French's hat-trick sent Ringwood slumping to a loss which leaves it precariously close to the relegation zone.

Jimmy Wilson returned from a long lay-off through injury and was given the daunting task of tagging Brian Sinclair but Wilson never let Sinclair out of his sights.

French put the visitors one up in the 30th minute when he outjumped a group of players six metres from goal to head a Chris Kent cross firmly home.

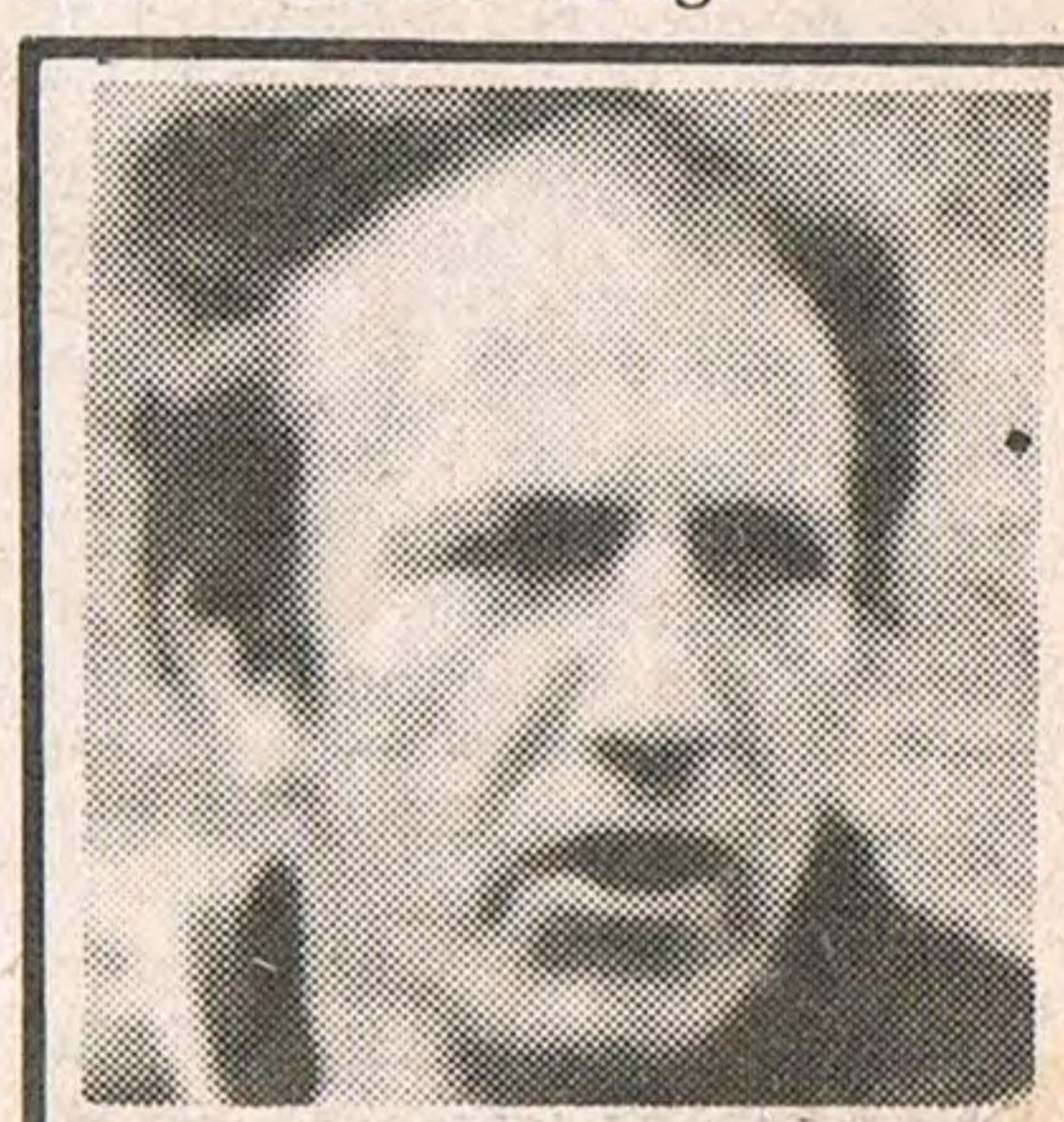
Using his body well the strong Hakoah striker settled Ringwood's fate in the 75th minute when he withstood three challenges then struck a low 15 metre shot past Les Fearn.

French got a hand to French's penalty attempt three minutes later but couldn't take enough pace off the ball. Hakoah had a superb 35 metre drive by Kevin Innes in the 55th minute

10th minute. Indeed Croatia's build up was almost non-existent.

Northcote just kept plugging away.

Neither side impressed. The weather was fine and sunny. I should have gone to the races like I intended doing.



Ille wants State job

Former Footscray J.U.S.T. and Essendon Croatia coach Rocco Ille (pictured) is one of the leading candidates for the Victorian Director of Coaching job.

Ille was a star player with Yugal and Pan Hellenic in Sydney.

He gained top-level coaching qualifications in Yugoslavia.

Apart from having coach Croatia and J.U.S.T., Ille also has been lending his soccer wisdom to the Footscray Institute of Technology.

Shiners for sale

SUNSHINE 0 CROYDON 3 (Wade pen., McCombe, I. Loughnane)

SUNSHINE: Contini 6 — Mussel 5, Taylor 7, Ellis 6, Morovic 5 — Esposito 5 (Campbell 80th), McRobert 7, Laing 6 — Bain 6, Pete 7, McNally 5 (Mudrnic 70th).

CROYDON: Edwards 7 — Brown 8, McCombe 8, Pongho 8, Hobson 8 — Spink 7, Smith 7, Howarth 8 — I. Loughnane 7, Wade 8, Wassell 6 (P. Loughnane 60th).

The tale of how Sunshine tried to hawk Jim McRobert and Frank Mussel 24 hours before last month's transfer deadline almost escaped my grasp.

While the story about the attempted dismissal of two of Sunshine's stalwarts is now old news it deserves recognition.

I believe that Sunshine official Alec Aleksic phoned McRobert 24 hours before the deadline to tell the diminutive Scot that he should look for another club. Quickly.

The story goes that Sunshine couldn't afford to pay McRobert and Mussel to play in the reserves or sit on the bench for the first team.

Appears that the Shiner's top brass wanted \$2000 for both players.

The saga continued with Jim McIntyre's resignation. And I believe that there was a six man selection panel for Sunday's game against Croydon.

It seems the selectors each picked their side and the player most nominated in a position was chosen for that position.

Well whether or not that selection procedure was adopted it certainly didn't work as Croydon hit the goal trail after a short lived drought.

Innes goal sinks Juve

JUVENTUS 1 (Ristovski)
ALTONA 2 (Innes 2)

JUVENTUS: Hawke 5 — Curcio 5, Della Rocca 6, Donaldson 6, Germain 8 — Smith 5, Sannipoli 5 (Vaccaro 55th), Cunningham 7, Tarquinio 5 (Tkachuk 55th) — Ristovski 7, Incantalupo 8.

ALTONA: Masseni 8 — P. Wilson 6, Kilpatrick 8, K. Wilson 8, Whyte 8 — Jones 7 (inj. Wilson 80th), Cooper 7, Innes 9 — Watters 7, Mercier 7, O'Boyle 7.

A superb 35 metre drive by Kevin Innes in the 55th minute

was enough to sink Juventus's hopes.

Juventus took the lead in the 20th minute when Fabio Incantalupo intercepted a Billy Whyte pass to Howard Mercer and hit a long ball for Mendo Ristovski to run onto and hammer past the advancing Dennis Masseni.

Three minutes later Innes levelled when he ran onto Steve Jones's through ball and shot truly from 10 metres.

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This week's selections

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE
DIVISION 1: Saturday: Slavia v Kew Park, Rangers (draw); KEILOR AUSTRIA v Morwell Falcons KNOX CITY v Box Hill

Sunday: WESTERN SUBURBS v Richmond Pioneers v Albion Rovers (draw); ALTONA GATE v Moreland

DIVISION II: Saturday: Melbourne v Doncaster Rovers (draw); Waverley City v SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLS. Springvale City v FRANKSTON PINES, FAWKNER v Heidelberg United, Ardeer v Dandenong City (draw); MAKEDONIA v Footscray J.U.S.T.

DIVISION III: Saturday: BELL PARK v Port Melbourne, Coburg v WERRIBEE, Heidelberg v St Albans (draw); Broadmeadows City v Prahran City (draw); YALLOUNA v Etham, RINGWOOD UNITED v Cerio

DIVISION IV: Saturday: NORTH DANDENONG v Chelsea, Monash University v Ferntree Gully (draw); MORNINGTON v Keysborough, NUNAWADING CITY v Moorabbin City, Sandringham City v REGENT

DIVISION V: Saturday: NORTH DANDENONG v Chelsea, Monash University v Ferntree Gully (draw); MORNINGTON v Keysborough, NUNAWADING CITY v Moorabbin City, Sandringham City v REGENT

DISTRICT LEAGUE

DIVISION 1: Sunday: ENDEAVOUR HILLS v Chadstone, HOSA United v LYNDALE UNITED, R.M.I.T. v Melbourne Uni. Amateurs, MACLEOD UNITED v Bundoora, LATROBE UNIVERSITY v Meadow Park, Balwyn City v Maccabi HAKOAH

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'MAC' FOR MORWELL?

Bobby McLachlan for Morwell Falcons in 1982!

That's the bombshell which McLachlan dropped this week after his charges had carried Ajax to a two-point lead at the top of the State League table with a resounding 2-0 victory over rival Maltese club George Cross.

"If I can achieve what I have set out to do with Ajax, then the Falcons job would give me new motivation and satisfaction, which I look for," said McLachlan.

McLachlan set out to build Ajax up from the ashes left in 1979 when the club narrowly avoided relegation. The 1982 State League championship would see the completion of his task.

Thurlow's late leveller



DOVETON 1 (Thurlow)
JUVENTUS 1 (Ristovski pen)

DOVETON: Ivanoff 7 — Thurlow 8, Merrick 7, Corke 6, McConville 6 (Porter H.T. 6) — McIvor 7, Bentley 8, Cherie 8 — Irvine 6, McLaughlin 8, Quin 5 (Whitehurst 77th). JUVENTUS: Hawke 7 — Curcio 7, Donaldson 7, Della Rocca 7, Hird 8 — Smith 6, Cunningham 8, Sannipoli 5 (Vaccaro H.T. 7), Werner 9 — Ristovski 5, Incantulupo 7.

An 89th minute goal from full back Peter Thurlow kept Doveton's unbeaten streak intact at Waratah Reserve.

The Doves keep hanging on to their proud record by the skin of their teeth.

Juventus had hit the front in the 68th minute when Lou Ivanoff was forced into pulling down Juve substitute Lou Vaccaro and Mendo Ristovski converted from the spot.

Thurlow levelled from point blank range when he headed high into the roof of the net from Mike McIvor's free kick near the touchline on the right.

The usual defensive organisation was missing from Doveton's performance.

Jim Train will be operated on for a cartilage injury this weekend. Train undergoes specialist surgery which has revolutionised the usual recovery period from cartilage operations and should be back on the training track in three weeks time.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

GILBERT
(F'ton)

BROWN WILKINSON BOZIKIS HIRD

(C'don)

(G. Cross)

(N'cote)

(Juve)

INNES HOLFORD WERNER

(Altona)

(F'ton)

(Juve)

SAHINIDIS FRENCH WALLACE

(N'cote)

(Hakoah)

(Ajax)

STATE LEAGUE

	W	D	L	F	A Pts
AJAX	10	2	3	30	8 22
CROATIA	7	6	2	26	13 20
DOVETON	4	11	0	19	13 19
CROYDON	6	6	3	25	18 18
Geo. Cross	7	2	6	24	17 16
Hakoah	5	6	4	20	24 16
Northcote	5	4	6	25	35 14
Sunshine	5	3	7	22	25 13
Frankston	5	2	8	22	24 12
Wilhelmina	4	3	8	22	31 11
Juventus	4	3	8	14	27 11
Altona	2	4	9	17	31 8

French goes to the lead

This week's votes:
SUNSHINE v CROYDON
3 — Pongho (Croy)
2 — Brown (Croy)
1 — Wade (Croy)
ALTONA v FRANKSTON
3 — Holford (F)
2 — Stewart (F)
1 — K. Wilson (A)
JUVENTUS v ALTONA
3 — Innes (A)
2 — Whyte (A)
1 — Geramie (J)
NORTHCOTE v CROATIA
3 — Bozikis (N)
2 — Kokoska (C)
1 — Sahinidis (C)

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RINGWOOD v HAKOAH
3 — French (H)
2 — Wilson (H)
1 — Pasman (R)
DOVETON v JUVENTUS
3 — Werner (J)
2 — Bentley (D)
1 — Hird (J)
GEORGE CROSS v AJAX
3 — Wilkinson (GC)
2 — Wallace (A)
1 — Vassallo (A)
Progressive totals:
20 — French (H),
17 — G. Bannon (GC),
15 — P. Bannon (C), Cannel (GGA),
Wilkinson (GC),
14 — Stewart (F).

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13 — Egan (F)
12 — McLeod (GGA)
11 — I. Loughnane (Croy)
9 — Mitten (C), Toal (GC),
French (H).

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CROATIA DANCE

Croatia will hold a dance at the Croatian Community Hall, 72 Whitehall Street, Footscray on Saturday, July 25. The night starts at 7.30 pm and continues until 1 am.

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STATE LEAGUE Northcote City v Essendon
Croydon 1sts (0-1) 0, reserves 1-2, Sunshine City v
Croydon (0-3) (0-2) Ringwood City v Hakoah
(0-3) (1-1) Devonport v Juventus (1-1) (3-3) Altona
v Frankston (1-3) (2-1) George Cross v Ajaco
(0-2) (1-1)

DIVISION 1: Albion Rovers v Altona Gate (2-0)
(0-0) Box Hill v Polonia (1-3) (1-0) Morwell
Falcons v Knox City (0-1) Kew Park Rangers
v Kelso-Austria (0-0) (2-1) Morwell v Western
Suburbs (2-7) (1-1) Richmond v Slavia (7-0) (2-0)

DIVISION II: Footscray just v Waverley City
(2-2) (1-1) Dandenong City v Preston-Makedonia
(2-1) (0-2) Heidelberg United v Ardeer (1-0) (1-1)
Frankston Pines v Footscray (1-1) (0-0) Doncaster
Rovers v Springvale City (3-2) (2-1) South Melb
Hells v Melbourne (1-0) (0-6)

DIVISION III: Cario v Coburg (0-0) (1-3) Eltham
v Ringwood United (0-1) (0-7) Prahran City v Yal-
lourn (1-0) (1-2) Port Melbourne v Heidelberg (4-
2) (1-0) Werribee v Bell Park (1-1) (1-7) St
Albans v Broadmeadows City (1-1) (1-0)

DIVISION IV: Moorabbin City v Brighton (1-5)
(3-1) Keysborough v Nunawading City (0-4) (2-3)
Footscray Gully v Mornington (1-3) (0-1) Chelsea v
Monash University (1-3) (4-1) Sunbury United v
North Dandenong (1-2) (2-2) Royal Park v Sand-
ringham City (3-1) (4-0)

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE DIVISION 1: Essendon
City v Rosebud (2-2) (1-2) South Oakleigh v
Melton (8-0) (3-0) Moorabbin v Geelong (2-3)
(5-1) Hamlyn Rangers v Carlton (4-1) (4-1) Green-
borough v Thomastown (0-4) (1-3)

DIVISION II: Laker United v Ballarat (0-5) (5-0)
Hawthorn v South Yarra (0-1) (3-0) Langwarrin v
Nunawading United (3-2) (0-0) Hawthorn Citizens v
Karling United (1-0) (1-2) Shepparton City v
Clayton (1-1) (1-0) East Brunswick v North Ge-
long (3-1) (1-1)

DIVISION III: Regent v Boronia (1-0) (1-1)
Mordialloc v Yarraville (1-3) (1-2) Rossena v Uni-
versity of Melbourne (2-0) (1-3) Moe United v
Bulleen (4-1) (1-3) Kyneton v Berwick City (2-1)
(0-2) West Melbourne v Clifton Hill (1-3) (1-1)

DISTRICT LEAGUE DIVISION 1: Malvern City v
Burnley 1-Abd. (4-0) Monash Ponds v Mit-
cham United (0-3) (1-1) Monbulk v South Dan-
denong (0-1) (1-3) Central City v Postal Institute
(2-0) (4-1) Cheltenham v Brunswick City (3-0) (3-0)
Altona United v Abbotsford Tass (1-1) (1-2)

DIVISION II: Pascoe Vale v North Melbourne
(1-5) (0-1) West Geelong v Clarinda (2-1) (0-1)
West Brunswick v Hampton Wenders (2-0) (5-0)
North Sunshine v Ascot United (3-2) (6-2) Ver-
mont v East Carlton (1-1) (0-1)

DIVISION III: Mossfiel Rangers v Balclava (5-
1) (3-1) Port United v Cremorne (2-2) (2-1) See-
ford United v Matlock United (0-0) (0-0) Parkmore v
Diamond Creek (5-0) (4-1) Springvale United v
Murrumbeena United (p/p) (4-1)

CENTRAL AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION 1:
Maccabi Hakoah v Hosa United (5-1) (8-1)
Meadow Park v Balwyn City (1-3) (1-8) Mel-
bourne Amateurs v Matlock United 0-0
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(1-1) Lyndale United v Endeavour Hills (1-2) (2-2)

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From left, standing: Eddie Thomson (coach), Steve O'Connor (from juniors), Todd Clarke (Beograd, 5th Aust., 1976), Glen Ahearn (Brisbane Lions, 1980), John Spenos (Marley Windmills, West Aust., 1980), Ian Bruce (Dundee, Scotland, 1978), Kevin Mullin (from juniors), Gerardo Gomaz (from Puerto Rico, 1979).
Front: Grant Lee (Kuringai, 1980), Joe Watson (from Scotland, 1974), Jim Patikas (from juniors), Jim Cant (Marconi, 1981), Ian Souness (Everton, 1978), Ken Boden (Newcastle KB, 1980), Murray Barnes (from juniors). Inset: John Kosmina (West Adelaide 1981), Agenor Muniz (Adelaide City, 1981).

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SVE PO STAROM

Posle tri izvanredne pobede, J.U.S.T. je ponovo izgubio kastafalno zbog neodgovorne igre odrbrane. "Plava" odrbana moze de napravi podvig, ali u sustini nije zrela za ovaj rang tekmenjenja, sto pokazuje broj golova u Bolandovoj mrezi, lako je izvraan golman, moza najbolji u Phillips ligi.

Prema izvestajima, koja smo dobili iz Sidneja, sudija je ponovo imao dva merila na stetu JUST-a, jer je morao najmanje dva puta da pokaze na beli tacku, kada su nepokisano srušeni Vlatko Belli i Zdravko Lujic u kaznenom prostoru. Medutim, JUST ipak nije bio na visini zadatka, bio je opijen trenutnim uspesima i nije se dovoljno pripremio, niti zalaogao za casniji rezultat.

Na srecu, sledece nedelje je JUST igra ponovo na svom igralistu, gde postice izvanredne rezultate, zahvaljujući svojoj vernoj publici. Protivnik je demoralisani Canberra Arrowe, ali treba se uvek cuvati ranjenog lava.

MAKEDONIJA NA PRAVOM PUTU

Kao sto smo ocekivali, Makedonija je ubedljivo savladala goste iz Newcastle, iako su ovi poveli sa 1:0. Medutim, ovog put je tehnika trijumfovala nad snagom. Skupoceni tim Makedonije je u krajini proradio kao celina i zasluzeno pobedio Newcastle, koji je dosegao kao favorit, ali se proveo kao bos po trnu. Sledeci nedelje ce Makedonija u Sidneju potvrditi da je na putu oporavka, iako igra protiv cudljivog Leicchardta. Makedonija ce za ovaj susret biti jaca, jer je protiv Newcastle igrala oslabljena, bez Peter Ollerton i Roberta Cullena.

JO-JO U DRZAVNOJ LIGI

NORTHCOTE CITY je neociskavano pobedio CROATIJU sa 1:0, iako su "crveni" bili apsolutni favoriti. Jedini gol je postigao Dragan Vasic, sto mu je naglo podiglo cenu i ugled. Croata je sa ovim porazom dovela u pitanje osvajanje prvenstva, jer je AJAX pobegao tri boda. Medutim, završnica trke je jos daleko, pa su iznenadjenje moguca, bez obzira na nasu prognozu i planove. U fudbalu je sve moguce.

OSTALI REZULTATI

ALBION ROVERS — ALTONA GATE 2:0 (1:0). Sudija, koji je vec nekoliko puta iskrojio kapu Altoni Gate, "sahrano" je i ovog puta. Sastav Altone: Chris Dimitrijevski, Blagoje Lazarevski, Jimmy Dervisovski (Basim Boskovic od 65. minuta), Jonce Se-rovski, Mitre Kralevski, Vele Dimovski, Boris Gelevski, Dragi Trajkovski, Milan Micevski, Cele Tolevski, Venco Bozovski (Sekula Sekulovski od 46. minuta). Sledeci nedelje: Altona Gate — Morseland.

FOOTSCRAY/J.U.S.T. — WAVERLEY 2:2 (1:1). Kako je J.U.S.T. izgubio ovaj bod teško je objasnit, ali to se dogadjao u nogometu tako cesto, da to vise nije nikakvo cudo. Protivnik je postigao ova gola zahvaljući grubim greskama odrbrane, koje je bila nevozna bez razloga. Na drugoj strani, navala je imala takve sanse, koje je bilo nemoguce promasiti, ali ipak nisu iskorisene zbog opete nervoze. Sastav JUST-a: Milutin Celic, Slobodan Stojcevski, Ivica Karic, Tom Vukovic, Dancic Smrgrevski, Antony Vella, Ljubice Tolevski, Danny Acsaki, Paul Simic, Tom Karic, Sharn Parton. Strelici: Tom Vukovic i Pavle Simic. Reserva je izgubila sa 1:5, iako je povela sa 1:0 fantastickim golom, koji je postigao Mile Ostojic sa 30 metara. Sledeci subote: J.U.S.T. — Makedonija.

DANDENONG — PRESTON/MAKEDONIJA 2:1 (1:0). Domacin je poveo sa 1:0, ali je Makedonija mogla daljejaciti 5 minuta kaznje iz penala, ali Brian Coyle je sa 11 metara promasio cela vrata. U 51. minutu Dandenong je poveo sa 2:0, posto je mala lopta prosle golmanu Demirov kroz ruke i noge. U 87. minutu Brian Coyle je presao 3 igrača i sa 25 metara postigao poscani gol. Sastav Makedonije: Chris Demirov, Jonny Belevski, John Higham, Zoran Ristovski, Arthur Christov, Riste Nivecksi, Sebi Magano, Con Opasidin (Michael Nitton od 70. minuta), Terry Nolan (David O'Connor) Brian Coyle, Neal Coyle. Najbolji igraci: Brian Coyle, Arthur Christov i John Higham. Reserva je pobedila sa 2:0 (2:0). Oba gola je zaradio izvanredni Arthur Stayos, iako je prvi bio autogol. Sledeci subote Makedonija docekuje JUST-a u Reservoiru.

ELTHAM — RINGWOOD UTD./SRBIJA 0:1. Posto su najbolji suparnici igrali nereseno, Srbija je prakticno postala prvak treće divizije, iako se do kraja prvenstva igralo jos 4 kola. U subotu 25. jula SRBIJA docekuje na svom igralistu, Quambee Reserve, Wonga Road, North Ringwood, My.36 B.11, CORIO iz Geelonga, sto ce biti jos jedna formalnost na putu za odlezanak u drugu diviziju.

HAWKSBOURN — SOUTH YARRA 0:1 (0:1). Protivnik je poveo sa 1:0 vec u 3. minutu, zatim je napravio bunker, koji je izvanrednom igrom golmana posteno iznervirao igrače Hawkeburna. Sa ovim porazom palja je u vodu poslednja neda za promociju. Sastav Hawksburne: Sandor Kazi, Andras Sejmesi, Tibor Benedek, Joe Sabo, Andras Kazi, Drago Bulic, Stjepan Kanton, Ference Palinkas, Frank Horvat, Steve Bleškany, Steve Derek (Ferenc Ceh od 46. minuta). Najbolji igraci: Joe Sabo, Ference Palinkas i Drago Bulic. Reserva je pobedila sa 3:0 (1:0). Strelici: Slavko Drilje dva gola i Villi Garamsegi jeden. Sledeci subote: Nunawading — Hawkeburn.

Zbog navodno loseg terena, iako je naokolo bilo gorih, pa se igralo, sudija nije dozvolio da se odigra utakmica Bratstvo/Jedinstvo — Murrumbeena. Ipak su rezerve igrale pre toga. Pobedio je Springvale United/Bratstvo u jedinstvo sa 4:1 (3:0). Strelici: Joe Francist, Peter Smitran, Nebojsa Dragojevic i Tomo Okovic, dok je Ljubisa Tomic promasio jedanaesterac.

PARKMORE/PLAVI DUNAV — DIAMOND CREEK 5:0 (1:0). Po lepotu vremenu, ali nezgodnom igralistu, domaci tim je lako i ubedljivo pobedio goste, koji su se nevesto branili. Strelici: Joe Biro, Andras Lerinc, Antal Ambrus, Jeno Kalmar i Ton Hoti. Trener Joe Biro je promasio cela vrata sa 11 metara u 78. minuti. Sastav Plavog Dunava: Tibor Mistic, Andras Lerinc, Jeno Foral, Mihajlo Farkas, Frank Varga, Mihajlo Djarmati, Ignjat Lassan, Mihajlo Mistic (Ton Hoti od 46. min.), Jene Kalmar, Antal Ambrus. Edo Balesic od 73. minuta, Joe Biro. Reserva je pobedila sa 4:1 (2:0). Strelici: Istvan Makai ml., Tibor Tot, Jeno Sabo i Ton Basso.

BET NAHREEN — BOSNA UTD. 2:3 (0:3). Bosna je isputisala priliku da popravi gol-ratzliku, koja je neophodna u borbi za prvo mesto, posto jedini supernik za to mesto Parkmore/Hajduk ima isto toliko bodova kao momci u zelenim majicama. Strelici: Adam Susic, Mladen Mutic i Miso Lazarevic. Sastav Bosne: Nukro Porca, Jozef Pisak, Igor Mukavac, Ljubomir Bratic, Vasko Klapac, Meho Omerovic, Adam Susic, Muhamed Tubic (Naim Kamber od 70. minuta), Mladen Mutic, Miso Lazarevic, Esad Mesinovic. Sledeci nedelje igraju Jolimont — Bosna Utd. na Yarra Parku, Ground No. 8, Swan Street, Richmond. Pocetak u 12 sati.

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